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SPEED NEW TAX BILLS TO RAISE DEFENSE FUNDS

Every Citizen Will Be Tapped; Passage in Week Predicted

Washington, June 8.—(AP)—An election year tax bill to tap the rich, the poor and the man in between for another billion a year to pay off defense loans moved with emergency speed today toward congressional approval.

The measure, written by a house ways and means sub-committee yesterday, was expected to be approved by the full committee today and to pass the house by next Wednesday.

Administration leaders want to push the bill through the senate finance committee by next week-end and dispatch it to President Roosevelt a few days later.

The measure, broadening the tax base, raising the levies on corporations and middle-bracket individuals and imposing a flat 10 per cent super tax on all, is designed to pay off \$4,000,000,000 of special defense bonds over the next five years.

Roosevelt already has asked congress for \$4,600,000,000 in defense outlays, for which bonds would be issued. The bill would raise the debt limit from \$45,000,000,000 to \$49,000,000,000 to make possible the bond issue.

Tax receipts from the new bill would be placed in a special fund to be used only to liquidate the defense debt.

Lower Exemptions Permanent
A provision lowering present income tax exemptions from \$2,500 to \$2,000 for married persons and from \$1,000 to \$500 for single persons would become permanent, however, as would higher surtaxes on incomes between \$6,000 and \$100,000.

Many who escape the direct income levies will help pay the defense bill through a 10 per cent increase in practically all excise levies on manufactured articles. This raise is applicable only through 1945.

The lower exemptions will require about 2,050,000 additional individuals to make a direct tax contribution.

A single man with a \$2,500 salary now pays \$50 in taxes and his bill would be increased to \$63.80. A married man without children and a salary of \$3,000, now paying \$8, would pay \$30.80 and a married man with one child and a \$3,500 salary, now paying \$10, would pay \$33.

The higher surtaxes would start in the \$6,000-to-\$8,000 bracket, with an increase from 5 to 6 per cent. The greatest increase would be from 27 to 40 per cent in the brackets between \$44,000 and \$50,000.

Communists Complain of Treatment Given In Illinois Cities

Washington, June 8.—(AP)—The civil liberties unit of the department of justice today had for consideration a complaint which charged that Communist party workers were chased from several Illinois cities when they attempted to circulate election petitions and other literature.

The petition was filed yesterday by Charles Liebman of Chicago, an attorney for the Civil Liberties committee. It alleged that Communist workers were denied their rights in Chicago, Waukegan, Rockford, Freeport and Pekin while seeking to obtain signatures on petitions asking that their party candidates be placed on the Illinois election ballot.

At Pekin recently 10 Communist workers sought safety in the Tazewell county jail after a crowd threatened them. Two automobiles owned by the workers were burned.

After the petition was filed, Henry Schweinhaut, head of the civil liberties unit, said it would be considered.

NLRB Reformation to Get Senate Death Blow

Washington, June 8.—(AP)—Despite 2-to-1 House approval, sweeping Wagner act amendments built around creation of a new Labor Relations Board were said by informed senators today to be headed directly for a Senate committee pigeon hole.

Appealing for Senate action in the face of an adjournment drive, Rep. Smith (D-Va.), chairman of the NLRB investigating committee which drafted the original revisions, declared that the House vote yesterday demonstrated the nation's demand for immediate amendments "as an essential part of the defense program."

"Don't fool yourself," said Rep. Hook (D-Mich.), as House debate ended, "this bill will never be law."

Nevertheless, 116 Democrats and 142 Republicans voted for the Smith amendments; 13 Republicans, 113 Democrats and three others against it.

Army Sends Fast Pursuit Plans to Henry Ford for Possible Mass Production

Terse News

BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS
A bouquet of peonies from the Lohse gardens and a huge mixed bouquet, containing a dozen or more varieties of blossoms, from the garden of Mrs. George Alshouse, 1010 Chestnut street, were enjoyed at the Telegraph office today.

DIES IN SEATTLE
Word has been received here of the death of Victor O. Boone, a week ago, in Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Boone is the former Miss Nancy Hunt of Dixon, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Hunt. A daughter, teaches school in Tucson, Ariz. The funeral service was held on Tuesday.

AT FRANKLIN GROVE
The Colonial Bell Ringers, who formerly appeared on programs with the late William Jennings Bryan and Madame Schumann-Heink, will appear at the Conference tabernacle at Franklin Grove at 2:30 and 7:45 p. m. Sunday. Three persons ring the bells, which vary in tones and sizes and are said to cover a space 50 x 14 feet.

BUREAU CO. CLINIC
The next Bureau county chest clinic, with Dr. George F. Palmer as examining clinician, will be held at the dispensary in the court house at Princeton Wednesday, June 19. Ruth Olson, directing nurse, announced today. The hours will be from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m. and appointments must be made with Miss Olson at least five days in advance by the patient or family physician.

COUNCIL MEETING
The contract for furnishing the city with a new squad car for use by the police department was awarded to the firm of Netz & Co., by the city council at the meeting last evening. Applications for soft drink licenses were granted to Peter O'Malley, 118 North Galena avenue, and Larry Santelman of Truman Court. A resolution transferring the sum of \$1,022 from the engineering service to the motor fuel tax fund was unanimously adopted.

AWARDED CONTRACTS
Contracts for two motor fuel tax improvements to be made in Mt. Morris and Morrison, have been awarded to the firm of M. D. Smith & Son of this city. At Mt. Morris a section of two blocks is to be improved with the building of concrete curb and gutter, after which the street is to be graded, the improvement amounting to \$4,000. At Morrison the local firm were low bidders on the construction of a two block extension to the present storm sewer system at a cost of about \$2,500. The firm of C. K. Willett, consultant engineers of this city, outlined the improvements.

Nazis Claim Capture of British Ambassador

Berlin, June 8.—(AP)—The British Ambassador to Brussels, Sir Lancelot Oliphant, was captured with British expeditionary force troops left behind in France, DNE, official German news agency announced today.

The agency said that since Sir Lancelot "was captured in the course of military actions on French soil and under certain suspicious circumstances, his case will be closely examined."

Life Miserable

Evanton, Ill., June 8.—(AP)—A swarm of bees is making life miserable at the Robert Rabbit home. The insects made the chimney their headquarters for reconnoitering flights throughout the house three days this week. Finally a fire was built in the grate. That repulsed them but it caused almost as much discomfort as the bees. The temperature outdoors was 92 and the Rabbits couldn't open the windows for air since the house had just been painted and the screens were off.

Norse Believe in Victory Because They Believe in God, Says Minister

Washington, June 8.—(AP)—The 35th anniversary of Norway as an independent kingdom has come and gone—and so has two thirds of Norway.

"I think that history," said Minister Wilhelm Morgenstjerne, "will tell whether we were right in holding out against the invading German army or submitting."

It was a proud little speech and there were nods of approval and a sigh or two at the Norwegian legation's anniversary gathering yesterday when he said it. "We hear from the king every

Will Determine if His Plant Can Put Out Thousand Daily

By The Associated Press

Washington, June 8.—The Army put one of its fastest pursuit planes at Henry Ford's disposal today to let him determine whether his mass production genius can get aerial fighters rolling off assembly lines at the amazing rate of 1,000 a day.

The sudden completion of arrangements to have the pursuit ship delivered to Ford engineers in Detroit Monday momentarily distracted defense program attention from the sharp cleavage of congressional opinion on President Roosevelt's applause for a newspaper editorial urging compulsory military training for the nation.

The unofficial debate on compulsory training, however, was off to a heated start, and there were indications of additional legislative ditions, his plants in six months plans which would, in effect, make a large amount of World war equipment available for allied purchase by turning it back to the manufacturers.

Rifles for 2,000,000
Roosevelt told his press conference yesterday that the arms and munitions stores were deteriorating but that they still had an immediate value. Although he did not specify the size of the stores, unofficial military estimates were that enough rifles to supply an army of almost 2,000,000 might be turned in.

The announcement that a pursuit planes would be sent to Detroit was made by the war department last night.

Ford, pioneer in automotive mass production, asserted two weeks ago that, given certain conditions, his plants in six months time could turn out 1,000 standard type planes daily. The statement immediately aroused interest both here and in London, and there was evidence that Britain, anxious to bolster her air force, intended to explore the possibility.

The elder Ford, in asserting that he could build 1,000 planes every 24 hours, stipulated these conditions:

Ford's Conditions
That his company be left to its own supervision; that there be no "meddling by government agencies"; and that he have the counsel of such aviation authorities as Charles A. Lindbergh and Edward Rickenbacker.

During the World war Ford turned his great industrial plants to the mass production of munitions, whippet tanks, ambulances and submarine chasers.

The question of compulsory military training was injected into the complicated defense picture yesterday at the president's press conference, when Roosevelt was asked to comment on a New York Times editorial.

He replied that he had read only the first paragraph and liked it very much. The paragraph called for immediate adoption of a national system of compulsory military training.

Chairman Pittman (D-Nev.) of the senate foreign affairs committee, commenting on the editorial, declared: "We should not incite hysteria by advocating at this time compulsory military service."

Aged Egyptians and Children to Interior

Alexandria, June 8.—(AP)—The Egyptian government today suddenly sent 6,000 children and aged men and women from Alexandria to the interior as all Italian ships in the Mediterranean were reported to have received orders to return immediately to Italy.

A widespread war move in the Mediterranean was believed imminent.

Italian shipping agents announced the orders for all their ships to go back to Italy. At the same time, the steamship companies refused to accept further bookings for passage to Italy.

FIND DOG SLAIN HERE INFECTED; STATE MAN HERE

Persons Bitten Must Be Vaccinated At Once, He Says

Dr. J. A. Poling, Freeport, of the state department of public health arrived in Dixon today to investigate following receipt of a report from the state department, received late yesterday afternoon, which indicated that a pronounced condition of rabies had been found in the head of a dog which was destroyed by Motorcycle Officer Frank Tyne, Thursday, after the animal was reported to have bitten several Dixon people.

Dr. Poling conferred with Dr. J. B. Warren, city health officer, and Chief of Police J. D. Van Bibber this morning, and all persons who had been bitten by the rabid dog were ordered to submit to vaccination at once. A veterinarian was also to make an examination of a horse and dog, belonging to Fred Adolph, South Dixon farmer, which were reported to have been bitten by the infected dog.

Dr. Poling stated that a representative from the state department of agriculture will arrive in Dixon the first of the week to conduct an investigation to determine whether or not a general quarantine will be posted in Dixon township. Four townships of Stephenson county, he stated, were under quarantine because of the prevalence of rabid dogs.

45 Stray Dogs Killed
John Smith, city dog catcher reported a total of 43 stray dogs captured and destroyed in two weeks time. He also stated that dogs were being hauled into Dixon from adjoining towns and released on the streets by owners who were opposed to destroying the animals. Fourteen stray dogs were collected by the dog catcher yesterday afternoon and removed from the city. Six dogs which have been staying in the cement plan quarry and were classified as "wild" dogs were destroyed and another group of dogs which are difficult to locate, are being sought in that section of the township.

Chief Van Bibber stated today that the rabid dog belonged to Marvin Bivins, 1020 First street, and was brought to Dixon from Florida a few weeks ago.

Allied-Norse Forces Make Gains at Narvik

Stockholm, June 8.—(AP)—New gains for allied and Norwegian forces along the Narvik railway, with the Germans now making a stand in the next to last railway tunnel before reaching the Norwegian-Swedish frontier, were reported today in dispatches to the newspaper Aftonbladet.

The allied and Norwegian troops, advancing behind a barrage from mountain artillery and with the aid of British bombing planes, were said to have captured improvised German fortifications at Sildvik and now to be shelling nazı defenders at Hunddalen, about six miles from the border.

5 CRAZY CONVICTS ESCAPE
Fulton, Mo., June 8.—(AP)—Four insane convicts, after overpowering two attendants and handcuffing them to a bed, escaped from the criminal insane building at state hospital No. 1 last night. A fifth inmate escaped alone some time later.

The Weather

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1940
(By The Associated Press)

For Chicago and Vicinity:
Thundershowers this afternoon and early tonight; Sunday partly cloudy; cooler tonight; mostly moderate north to northeast winds. Outlook for Monday: Showers, warmer.

Illinois: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday; thundershowers this afternoon or tonight in south and east portions; cooler in north tonight.

Wisconsin: Partly cloudy to cloudy, slightly cooler in southeast portion tonight; Sunday considerable cloudiness, showers in west portion, slightly warmer in central and west.

Iowa: Generally fair, cooler in extreme east and extreme south tonight; Sunday increasing cloudiness, showers in northwest and north-central portions, warmer in east and south.

OUTLOOK FOR WEEK
Chicago, June 8.—(AP)—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday:
Great Lakes: Showers beginning of week, followed by mostly fair middle and latter parts; temperatures will average below normal.

Upper Mississippi valley and northern Great Plains: Not much precipitation indicated for the week, and temperatures will average below normal.

LOCAL WEATHER
For the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: maximum temperature 88, minimum 63; part cloudy, precipitation .17 inches; total for June to date .85 inches, total for year to date 11.96 inches.

Sun rises, Sunday and Monday at 4:28; sets Sunday at 7:29; Monday at 7:59.

Given Degree



ROBERT DEAN STITZEL

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stitzel of Nelson and a graduate of Dixon high school, yesterday received his degree as Bachelor of Science in Dentistry at the annual commencement exercises of the University of Illinois Chicago colleges. The program was held in the Chicago Civic Opera House and the address was given by Frederick Bogue Noyes, dean of the College of Dentistry. The diplomas were presented by Arthur Cutts Willard, president of the University.

Robert, who will continue his studies two more years to obtain his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree, is a member of Gamma Mu chapter of Sigma Nu, a social fraternity, and is historian of Rho chapter of Delta Sigma Delta, a professional society.

Lee County Lags in Its Help for Refugees of War

Robert W. Sterling, chairman of the Lee County chapter of the American Red Cross, today issued the following appeal to the generous people of the county:

"For the first time in history the Lee County Red Cross war fund has been lagging behind with approximately only one third of Lee county's quota raised to date. There is no question that the people wholeheartedly endorse the efforts of the Red Cross in making to sustain life and health among the innocent victims of the ravages of this terrible war. To the Red Cross humanity stands above neutrality, hatred, political and economic objectives of belligerent nations. The concern of the Red Cross, which is our personal concern, is that of saving lives of helpless children, women and non-combatants. This is a cause in which every American can join, regardless of his personal opinions on other questions that relate to this conflict. If the American people place at the disposal of the American Red Cross the funds it has asked of them, it can save the lives of ten persons for each life the war destroys."

"May it never be said that Lee County, one of the wealthiest counties in the state, has turned a deaf ear to the cries of the sick and hungry who, through no fault of their own, have lost not only their loved ones, but also the means of sustaining life. These children, these women and these old men will either live or die, depending upon our willingness to give a small portion of our substance. No blame can be attached to us for those who fall on the battlefield, but we cannot escape condemnation if we ignore the mute pleadings of millions for food and medicine that they might live."

"Won't you kindly send your donation, whatever it may be, to Lee county chapter, American Red Cross, care of the Dixon Chamber of Commerce, so that we may meet our relief fund quota without delay?"

Officials for State G. O. P. Meeting Named

Chicago, June 8.—(AP)—Edward F. Moore, former chairman of the Cook county Republican committee to serve as temporary secretary of the state convention in Springfield next Friday.

The committee also announced that State Rep. Robert J. Branson of Centralia was in line for election as permanent chairman; that James Hill of Streator, chairman of the LaSalle county central committee, probably would become permanent secretary, and State Senator T. MacDowning of Macomb sergeant-at-arms.

The committee invited Superior Judge Oscar F. Nelson of Chicago to give labor's message to the convention.

GUNMAN SOUGHT

Los Angeles, Calif.—(AP)—Police today searched for a gunman who shot and seriously wounded Miss Dell Morris, 28, a dancer, after he had robbed her companion, William P. Ford, of Salem, Ill., oil drilling contractor, Ford, who is here attending a convention, told police the bandit accosted him and Miss Morris in a parking lot, forced them to drive to a secluded spot and took \$135 from him and shot Miss Morris.

Legal Conference

Raleigh, N. C., June 8.—(AP)—Former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus paid a call on former Governor O. Max Gardner in the latter's Washington law office.

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Every Society in City Expected to Have Part in Flag Day Observance

Captain Gus Wimpleberg and the members of Company A, 129th infantry of this city, will appear in full marching equipment in the parade and at the exercises Friday evening, June 14, Flag Day. The local company is cooperating with the committee from the Dixon Elks lodge, which is sponsoring the observation of Flag Day this year on a far more extensive scale than in years past. Every patriotic organization, fraternal society and church body in Dixon has assured General Chairman Gerald Jones of wholehearted cooperation in celebrating the birthday of the flag.

All of the Boy and Girl Scout organizations of the city will also participate in the parade, which is scheduled to start from the Elks club house at 6:30 o'clock passing through the business section and terminating at Haymarket Square, where the program will be held. Weather permitting, it is expected that upward of 5,000 people will attend the exercises. Judge Thomas E. Gill of Rockford, will be the guest speaker of the evening and the officers of the Dixon lodge of Elks will exemplify the Flag Day ritual. Throughout the city Dixonites have been requested to display the flag throughout the day.

ITALY TO ENTER WAR WITHIN ONE WEEK, FORECAST

Rome Expects Il Duce's Action to Come Thurs- day or Friday

BULLETIN

Rome, June 8.—(AP)—The newspaper Il Giornale D'Italia, speculating on the course of the European war when and if Italy enters it, warned today that "for every Italian city bombed five English cities would suffer the same treatment."

BULLETIN

Bern, Switzerland, June 8.—(AP)—Fascist Italian sources in Switzerland reported today Premier Mussolini would make a speech "offering peace or declaring war," probably on Monday.

A peace offer, they said, was suggested it would be tantamount to an ultimatum to the allies, with only a few days allowed for considering it.

The same date for a Mussolini speech was set as a "rumor" by the pro-Italian news agency Telepress, which has headquarters in Geneva and is used as a vehicle for fascist opinion abroad.

(By The Associated Press)

Rome, June 8.—Italy's entrance into the war against Great Britain and France within a week was forecast today in usually well informed sources.

These informants said Italian action probably would start June 13 or 14—next Thursday or Friday—with an announcement by Premier Mussolini after Italy has moved.

"The Italian people are on the eve of a solemn event," declared Relazioni Internazionali, authoritative fascist weekly, which, it said, will be a "war of supreme independence."

It echoed Mussolini's motto: "Better to live a day as a lion than a hundred years as a sheep."

For the sake of foreigners, the weekly said, it listed six reasons why Italy is going to war:

Six "Reasons" For War
1. Italy has followed a peace policy for 18 years seeking to "balance positions, shorten distances and impose new, more humane political formulas."

2. France and England always have opposed Mussolini's policies.

3. When the "Italian people asked for land to work they were offered deserts."

4. "Everything Italian, in domestic policy as well as in the international field, has been ostentatiously undervalued by the French and English."

5. "Democratic Europe, which has deprecated the Italian people, can only be fought. The Italian people have reached the limit of their patience. . . . This war must solve territorial questions for the Italian people which are Nice, Corsica, Tunisia and Jibuti."

6. "The life of the Italian people is subject to French and English control. Italy must insure her independence on the sea."

Troops Moved
Italian commercial air service to foreign destinations was curtailed as delays in shipping schedules and the departure of troops for the south strengthened belief that the nation may soon enter the war on the side of Germany.

An official announcement said that air mail service between Rome and Rio de Janeiro, which has been on a weekly basis, has been reduced to one round trip monthly.

Air line service to Haifa, Bagdad and Bassora was suspended and the Roma-Sardinia steamship line also suspended service.

First Bombs Dropped on Berlin by Allied Fliers Aimed at Nazi Factories

Conflicting Claims About Big Battle Before Paris

(By The Associated Press)

French naval planes have repaid the deadly visit of nazi bombers in a night raid on the Berlin environs, the French Admiralty announced today.

The attack last night on factories in the suburbs of Berlin was the first in which Allied raiders had dropped bombs. Until now the German capital had been only scouted or showered with pamphlets.

How heavily the French liars hit

Single Thought

Berlin, June 8.—(AP)—Authorized sources declared today the German-Italian policy in the European war was governed by a single thought—"How can England and France be struck in the most catastrophic manner?"

These sources added that Germany and Italy were working in close cooperation. They said neither country places its own interest in the foreground, but "both have only one desire, namely, to deal an effective blow at England and France."

or with what effectiveness was not disclosed immediately.

The score the Germans left them to settle in their raid on Paris last Monday was more than 1,000 bombs dropped and almost 1,000 dead or wounded.

Disclosure of the attack came while:

1. Nazi tank detachments—reported totalling between 200 and 300—smashed about 12 miles through the French western flank on the upper Bresle river;

2. The shadow of Italy lengthened over warring Europe with predictions that she would be fighting at Germany's side within a week.

Line "Shock-Absorber"

The French high command, however, declared that the spongy Weygand line—planned like a shock-absorber to take the first impact and then recoil—was holding "on all the rest of the front."

Predictions in Rome that Italy, long teetering on the edge of war, was about to make the plunge were made by usually well-informed sources who said she probably would move next Thursday or Friday night.

While the French previously had acknowledged withdrawals at many points along an 80-mile section of the line, they said these were strategic shifts designed to straighten the line, adding that the nazi advances were attained only with huge losses to the Germans.

Informed German circles in Berlin asserted that the western campaign had "definitely shattered French hopes" of fighting from fixed positions.

The German assault, concentrated at four points, also appeared to be making headway in the vicinity of the Oise valley, broad natural thoroughfare to Paris.

For the third successive day, however, the nazi high command communique on the battle was vague. Its report contained only these three sentences:

Short Communique
"Our operations south of the Somme and the Aisne canal continued to proceed successfully. On the southern lower Somme also the enemy was pushed back."

"The air force supporting the army ground fighting on the southern Somme successfully bombed with strong forces troop

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Miniature Blitzkrieg at Springfield Sunday

Springfield, Ill., June 8.—(AP)—A miniature blitzkrieg will break loose on the outskirts of Springfield tomorrow when armored scout cars, bombing planes and infantry clash in mock combat at Camp Lincoln.

The battle will be staged for the benefit of newsreel cameras with cartridge blanks and smoke candles taking the place of real ammunition.

The demonstration will revolve around the Illinois National Guard's squadron of armored scout cars—the first of the new blitzkrieg weapons in the middle west. Three planes of the 108th Observation squadron will swoop down on the battlefield, dropping smoke candles instead of bombs.

Foot soldiers of the 130th infantry will conduct the "mopping up" operations.

At a Glance

By The Associated Press

PARIS—French naval planes raid Berlin environs, Admiralty reports; German tank vanguards pierce allied western flank, nazis within 53 miles of Paris but high command declares straightened, shortened Weygand line holding.

ROME—Italy's entrance into war against allies within a week is predicted by well informed sources as recalled soldiers leave for Naples; foreign commercial air schedules are curtailed, shipping delayed.

BERN, Switzerland.—Italian sources say Premier Mussolini will make speech, probably Monday, "offering peace or declaring war," with peace offer in nature of ultimatum to allies considered likely.

LONDON—German planes raid coast for third successive night; R. A. F. continues slashes at German lines and supplies behind lines; changes in home defense command announced.

BERLIN—High command reports "further progress" in nazi assault on Weygand line; informed circles declare drive has "shattered French hopes" of fighting from fixed positions.

ALEXANDRIA—All Italian passenger ships in the Mediterranean ordered home quickly as possible; Egyptian government prepares to ration food and oil supplies.

concentrations, columns of infantry and artillery positions."

British military circles in London put the German strength in the Somme-Aisne battle at "around 1,000,000 men" and said "the Germans may not yet have delivered their main attack."

The French admitted that the nazi drive down the Oise had carried yesterday to Carlepoint, only 53 miles from the capital. A force of 1,000 tanks was said to have led the assault.

On the 125 mile Somme-Aisne battlefield in France, the German high command claimed its drive was progressing "on schedule," but again acknowledged stubborn resistance by the French.

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HOW TO BUY BUILD • FINANCE MODERNIZE • FURNISH IMPROVE • YOUR HOME

Hints For Home Owners

Noiseless Screen Doors

A string or check on screen doors will close them automatically without noise. The sound of the closing can be deadened by tacking small pieces of felt or rubber to the main door frame at three points of contact. Various kinds of hinges and springs are kept in stock by hardware dealers.

Lights for the Hall

A small bowl of diffusing glass is a good type of light for the hall. It may be recessed in the ceiling and, in the small-sized, will create an impression of spaciousness. This kind of light is better than a fixture having either opaque or clear-glass panels. Lights for the hall above the stairs should illuminate all of the steps.

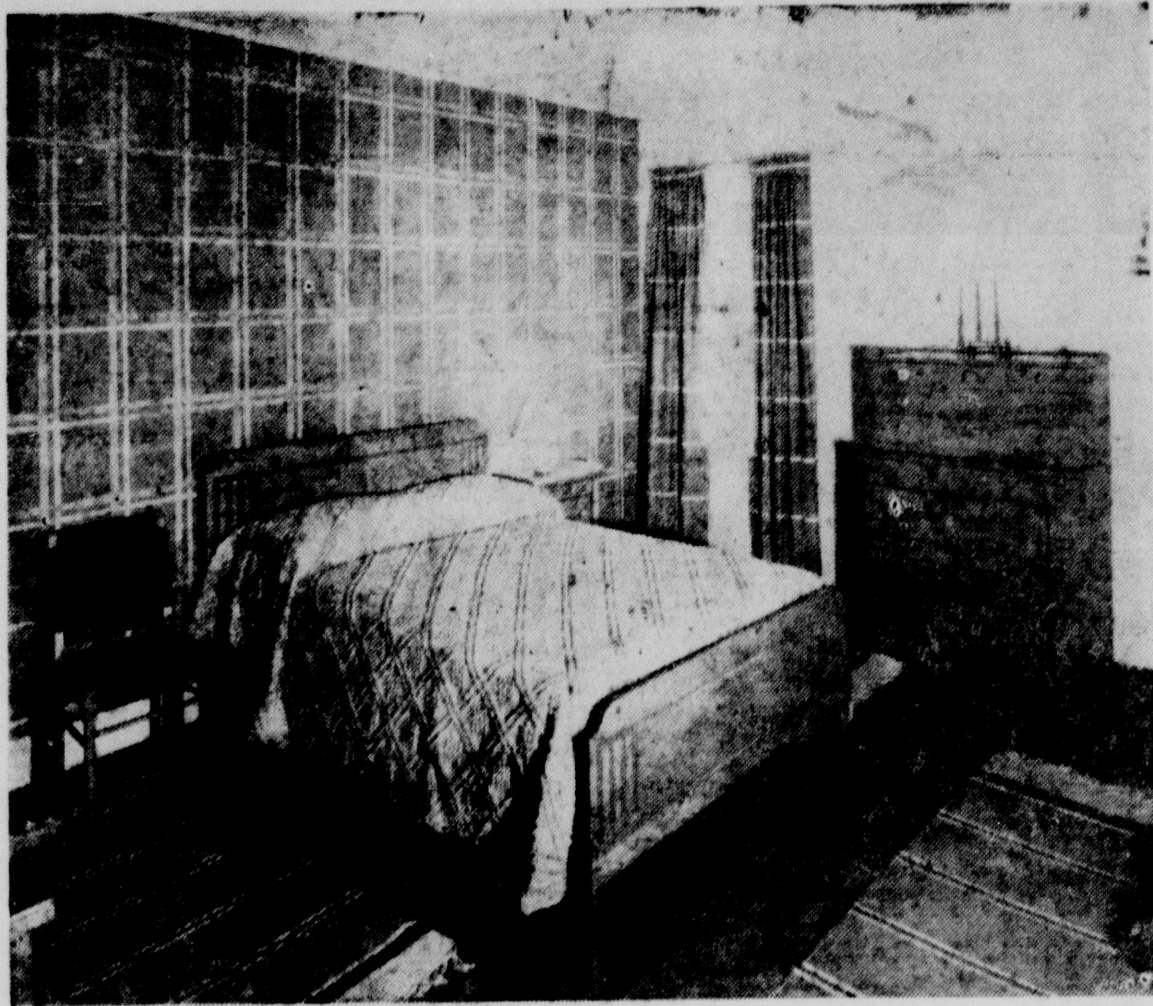
Powder Beetles

When wooden columns on porches are infested by powder-post beetles they should be replaced, either completely or in part, depending on the extent of the damage. Other woodwork in the neighborhood should be examined. If only a few holes are found, kerosene should be dropped into them with a medicine dropper. If new columns are necessary, they may be installed with funds obtained from qualified lending institutions under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

Privacy for Porches

At this time of year much thought is given to methods of

Dual Wall Treatment For Lovely Bedroom



Generally accepted today is the method of treating walls in the manner pictured above. The wall back of the bed is covered with a delightful deft blue paper with rust-rose cross stripes. The remaining walls in the room are painted a lovely off-white with a soft rose ceiling completing the harmony. The recently launched Shaker furniture will find acceptance among those to whom modern appeals yet have a yen for the craftsmanship of other days. Shaker furniture is constructed of knotty pine finished to a satin-smoothness and lends itself with exceptional grace to colorfully decorated backgrounds. The floors are of two inch oak planks and rag rugs complete the design.

screening porches and terraces from public view.

The planting of a row of tall

annual-blooming plants is one way of accomplishing this. If the screen effect is to be permanent, the planting may be of shrubbery forming a hedge.

For a more decorative method, a trellis of lattice work with blooming vines growing over it may be used.

Small Roof Leaks

A drop of solder on the surface will sometimes mend small leaks in a metal roof. The repair of a slate or tile roof is a job for a skilled roofer.

NEW FURNITURE POLISH

Recently introduced, "Burley Walnut" is a French polish type of finish. This finish resembles a tobacco leaf in its color tones and shadings.

Tips on Selecting A Home Site

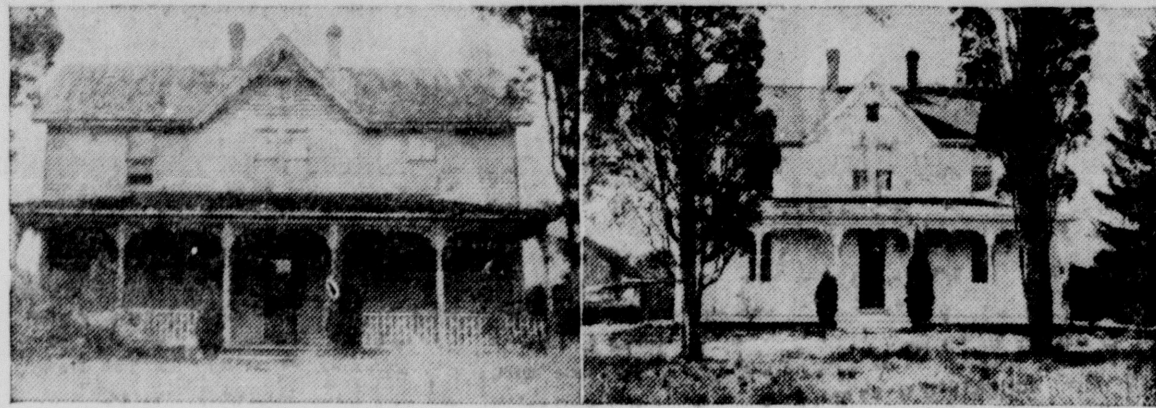
When selecting a home site, consider these important details. It will mean much to your happiness in the future. How about the neighborhood... is it right for your income... or too high or low? What is the neighborhood's status... is it developing, deteriorating, standing still? How close are you to schools, church and transportation? What about the water supply, paving, gas and electric service? Do you have police and fire protection? Street lighting. Are protective building restrictions provided for? Will you have freedom from a possibly undesirable location... next to or near a possible business district, factory or cemetery for example? Is the lot in mind suitable for the type of home you are planning to build? What will be the resale value of your property... good, fair, poor?

A positive answer to all these questions will give you an ideal home site. Consider all the items that make some real estate more valuable than others, and you will understand why real estate prices vary. All these features should be found easily in several real estate divisions in or near your community.

CLOSETS

When you remodel your home, be sure to add enough closets so that storage space will be available at all times. Closets can most always be worked into a house, and careful consideration should be given to this convenience unit.

Inexpensive Improvements



Contrary to the beliefs of many, modernization does not always entail a large amount of money. This rambling old home on a country road in Maryland had almost reached the "haunted" stage when it was taken over and reclaimed at relatively small cost. A new roof of composition shingles was provided, in addition to several coats of paint for the sun-baked exterior. Other replacements included new steps, porch ceiling, cellar doors, gutters, and downspouts. Interior repairs included repapering of several rooms and modernization of the heating system. Total reconconditioning cost was \$910, but the valuation of the home increased over \$1,000. All of this work was eligible for financing under the Modernization Credit Plan of the Federal Housing Administration.

REAL LOW COST HOUSING

Here's real low cost housing in this two story American Colonial. Though the arrangement is standard, there are distinguishing features. The projecting entrance porch is effectively tied to the main structure through an extension of the house roof. The front living room window is actually a picture window with two out-swinging sidelights for ventilation. The rear extension on the kitchen provides dining space in the corner without destroying the kitchen plan.

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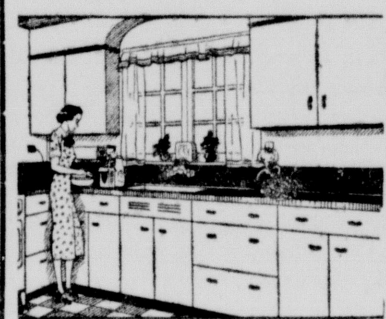
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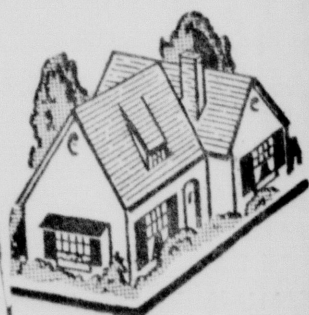
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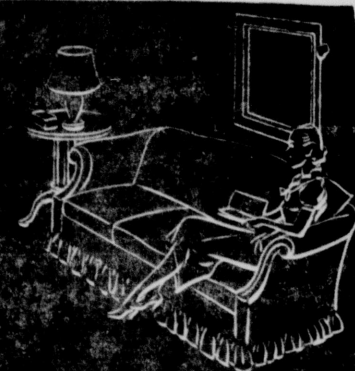
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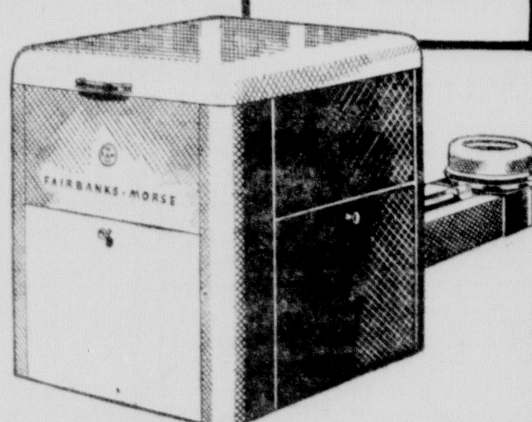
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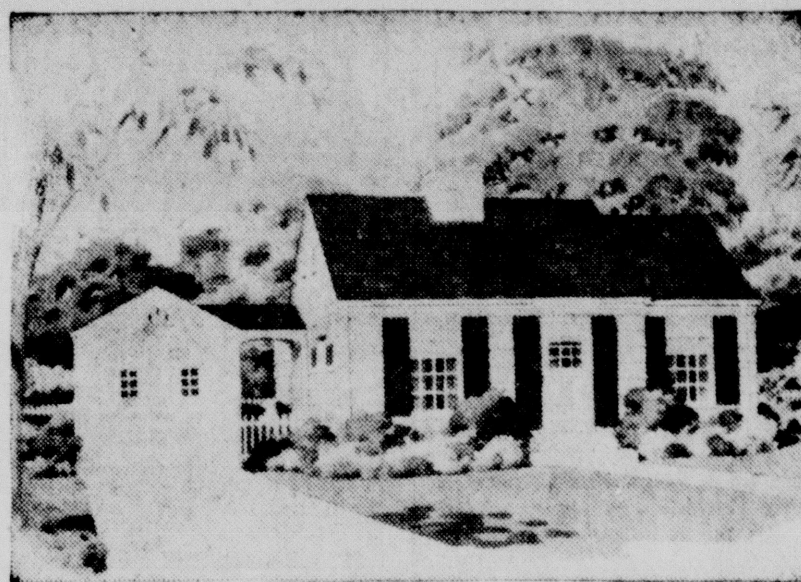
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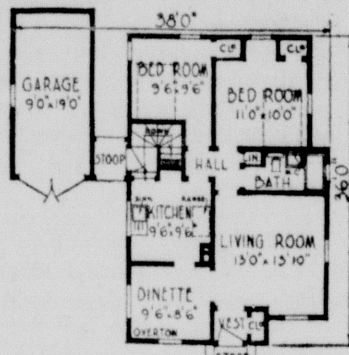
AN APPEALING ARRANGEMENT



ONE way of making a house look long is to connect it with the garage by a covered way or some other means. A small house can thus be extended in a single unit, as done in the case of this attractive home.

A good feature of the plan is the inclusion of a vestibule, so that an entry is not made from the street directly into the living room.

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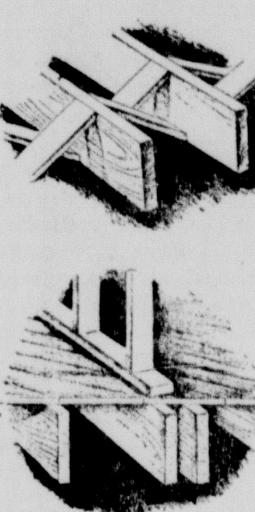
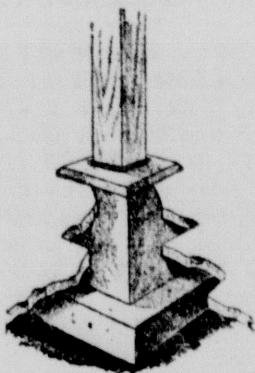
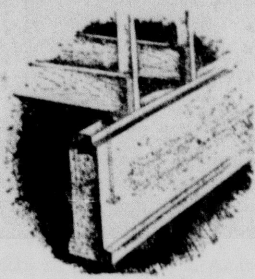
Built-in beds have saved many an awkward bedroom, and if the bed can be constructed at the time the house is built it usually costs less than a furniture store bed.

Ninety out of the average hundred bedrooms are the same . . . four walls . . . two windows . . . a closet . . . and the wallpaper. The living room, dining room, and game room all seem to have had the benefit of thought and attention to the exclusion of the sleeping rooms, which fall into the usual stereotyped monotony.

Bunk beds have long been popular for boys' rooms, weekend cottages and shore homes, but there are other forms which beds can take, making them suitable for any adult bedroom. One such form takes its theme from a Pullman sleeping car combining the lines of the berth with the decorative canopy of the old four-poster; another offers a solution to the problem created when a closet must be built out into a room. By building the closet the same depth as the bed a corner is eliminated, the bed occupies a minimum of space and extra storage room is gained under it. There are numerous other schemes for making built-in beds attractive.

Here are some built-in bed suggestions: Make the bed space about six inches longer than a regular bed . . . it is well to have

GOOD FRAMING PRACTICE



Any kind of a foundation should rest on footings wide enough to keep the foundation from sinking when the full load of the house is applied. Footings should extend six inches beyond both sides of the wall and be at least eight inches deep.

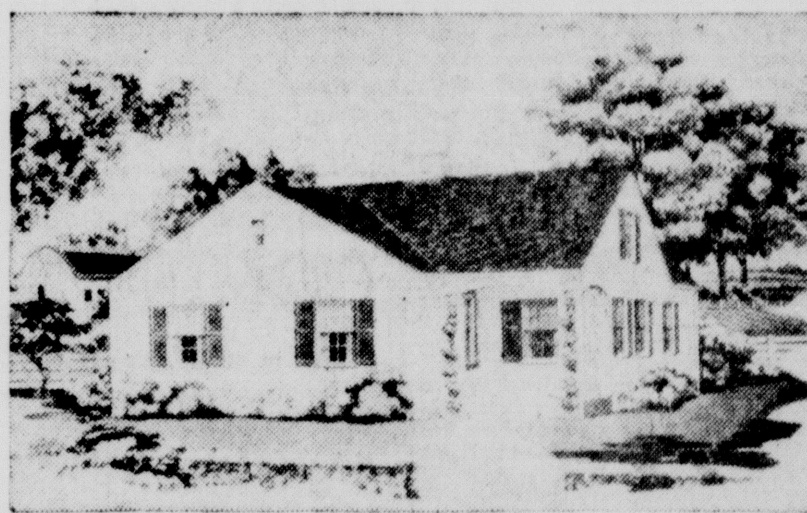
When there is a basement, the bearing posts which carry the load in the center of the building should have a footing eight to twelve inches deep and from eighteen to twenty-four square, and the footing should extend three inches above the finished floor.

To increase the stiffness of your floor and to cut down vibration all joists should be securely braced with small members, commonly called cross-bridging; 1"x4"s in the form of an X should be placed between the joists at intervals of not over eight feet.

No item is more important than floor joists. They support the entire building. They should be spaced sixteen inches apart. Under partitions and around openings double joists should be used. They should be large enough to eliminate deflection or vibration.

good "toe" room. If the bed is enclosed on three sides build two singles rather than one double . . . it is much easier to make. If you build a double bed arrange it so that two sides are open for ease in making. Do not build your

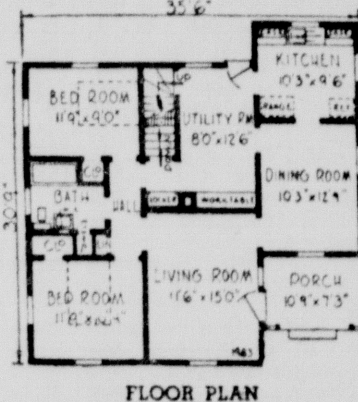
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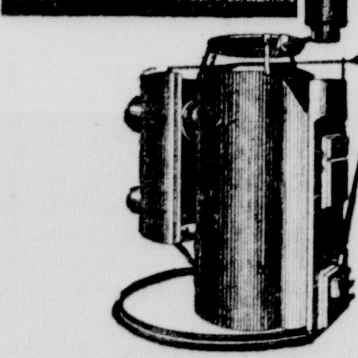
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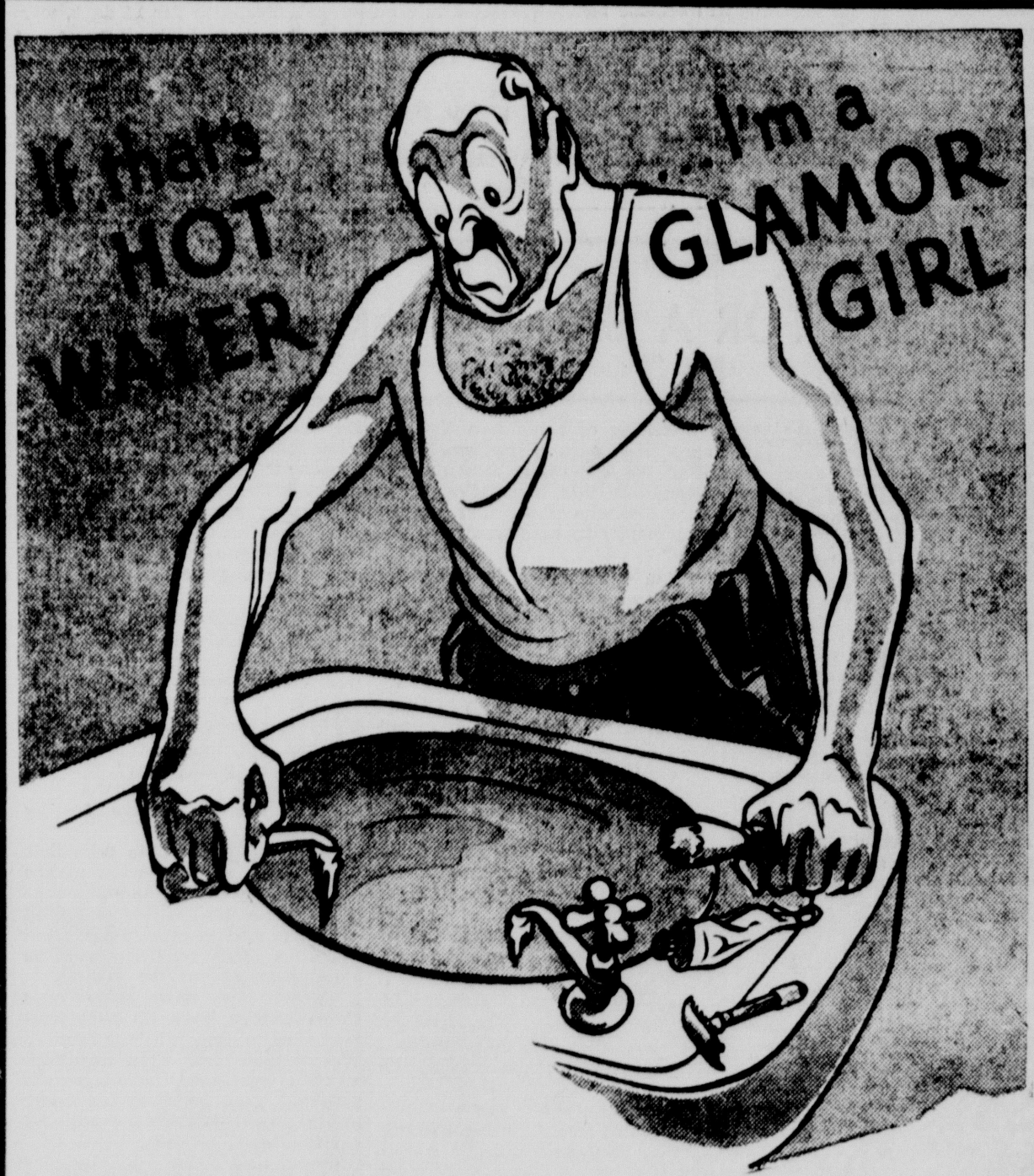
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MISS RAFFENBERGER AND MR. CHILDERS ARE TO PLEDGE VOWS IN GARDEN BRIDAL

When Miss Gertrude Raffenberg, youngest daughter of the G. H. Raffenbergers of 723 East Morgan street, exchanges nuptial vows this afternoon with Virgil Ray Childers, only son of Mr. and Mrs. George Childers of 913 Third street, her "something old" will be a gold locket which her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Sheller, wore as a bride at Lanark in 1885. Nearly 40 guests from Chicago, Freeport, Sterling, and Dixon will assemble in the Raffenberg garden for the wedding ceremony, to be solemnized at 4 o'clock by the Rev. Herbert J. Doran, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

Members of the bridal party will take their places in a shaded spot before a trellis gateway for peonies are in bloom in the garden, and will add their color accents to the beauty of the informal outdoor setting.

Miss Virginia Cook is to be Miss Raffenberg's only attendant, and Paul Joyn will serve Mr. Childers as best man. Miss Marilee Burns is to be at the piano for the wedding march.

Organza and Taffeta

The bride's gown is white pin dot organza over white taffeta, designed on quaint lines, with a high neckline, and short puffed sleeves. A row of tiny buttons, fastened with silk loops, trim the front of the bodice, and her fingertip veil of net is attached to a coronet, trimmed with a lace rose. She will carry a loose arm bouquet of white carnations and sweetpeas, combined with tufts of white maline, and her "something borrowed" is a lace handkerchief carried by Miss Cook's mother as a bride. Mr. Raffenberg will give his daughter in marriage.

Her maid of honor has chosen blue organza, embroidered in an all-over design of white flowers, which she will wear over blue taffeta. Pink carnations fashion her tiny toque, and she will carry Briarcliff roses and blue delphiniums tied with pale pink ribbons. Mrs. Raffenberg has combined a navy and white ensemble for her daughters' wedding. Mrs. Childers will be attired in powder blue. Their shoulder corsages will

be formed of pink roses and pastel sweetpeas.

Outdoor Reception

Mrs. Donald Stephan and Mrs. James McAllister, sisters of the bride, and Mrs. Paul Johnson of Sterling will preside at the refreshment table in the shrub-enclosed outdoor living room, following the ceremony. An all-white cake will be the center decoration on the table. Before her marriage at the Presbyterian manse in April, Mrs. Stephan was Miss Dorothy Raffenberg.

When Mr. Childers and his bride leave later this evening on a brief wedding trip through the north, the new Mrs. Childers will don a white sharkskin suit for traveling. The couple is planning a longer itinerary during their vacations in August. After June 10, they will be at home at 913 Third street.

Today's bride was graduated from Dixon high school and is employed in the office of Montgomery Ward and Company. Mr. Childers is with the Reynolds Wire Company.

DESSERT-BRIDGE

Mrs. Clarence Burk of Chicago, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Robert Ayres, held a guest tally when Mrs. Brewster entertained her club with a dessert-bridge on Thursday. Mrs. Brewster, Mrs. Burk, and Mrs. Lawrence Olson won honors at the contract tables.

Mrs. Charles Sworn, Jr. is to entertain in two weeks.

MRS. KETCHIN AND MRS. FITZSIMMONS ARE CO-HOSTESSES

Mrs. J. R. Fitzsimmons and Mrs. James Ketchin were entertaining with a 1 o'clock luncheon on Wednesday at the Ketchin home. Purple iris decorated the rooms, and tallies at the tables were in the form of iris in the same shade.

Seven tables of contract were in play, with Mrs. Arthur Cron, Mrs. Robert Scales, Mrs. C. G. Popma, and Mrs. Charles Richards sharing favors when scores were compared.

Entertain For Edwin Merricks

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Merrick, Jr., recently married, were special guests when members of Mrs. Merricks's club were entertained with a dessert-bridge last evening at the David Crawford home. A silver meat platter was the group's gift for the bride, the former Miss Ruth Leydig.

Favors in the card games were shared by Mrs. Frank Kingsley, Lawrence Leydig, Mrs. Dan Fritz, and Mr. Merrick.

The Crawford's guests numbered Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Black, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fritz, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Merrick, Mrs. E. E. Kline of Baxter, Iowa, Mrs. D. M. Shively of Marshalltown, Iowa, Miss Ruby Nattress, Wilson Walker, Floyd Derby, and Lawrence Leydig.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Derby will be the next hosts.

JOLLY CLUB

Mrs. Georgia Beede and Mrs. Blinn Bryan decorated their country home with a profusion of garden flowers yesterday, when they entertained members of the Jolly club with a 1 o'clock scramble luncheon. Covers were arranged for 14 members and an out of town guest, Mrs. William Gruver of Chicago, aunt of Mrs. Mark Williams.

The afternoon business meeting was followed by games, and a reading by Mrs. Ruth Emmert. Mrs. Will McClanahan will entertain in two weeks.

EASTERN VACATION

Miss Olive McClanahan will leave in the morning for Chicago to join Miss Grace Koeppke for a week's vacation trip through the east. Their itinerary includes Detroit, a boat trip to Buffalo, New York City, Philadelphia, Washington, D. C., Atlantic City, Pittsburgh and Annapolis.

While in New York, Miss Koeppke will attend a convention for hospital technicians.

TO CALUMET CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Merrick, Jr., whose marriage was solemnized a week ago this morning, left today for Calumet City to spend the weekend with the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Merrick, Sr. The bride is the former Miss Ruth Leydig.

Last evening Mrs. Edna Nattress and her daughter, Miss Ruby, entertained at dinner at Beck's in Grand Detour, complimenting the bridal pair. Others in the party were Mrs. Merrick's mother and brother, Mrs. H. W. Leydig and son, Lawrence.

TO SOUTH DAKOTA

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Brewster and their little daughter, Karen, will leave this evening on a two weeks' vacation which will take them first to Woonsocket, S. D., to visit Mr. Brewster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Brewster, and perhaps later to Yellowstone National park, Wyoming and Utah. Karen, who is nine months old, will be making her first visit to her grandparents' home.

IOWA VISITORS

Mrs. E. E. Kline of Baxter, Iowa, and Mrs. D. M. Shively of Marshalltown, Iowa, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Black. Mrs. Kline is Mrs. Black's mother, and Mrs. Shively is her aunt.

Today, Mrs. Black and her guests left for Elgin to visit with relatives until Wednesday.

SOUTH DIXON CLUB

Mrs. Charles Beard will be hostess to members of the South Dixon Community club on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Amy Wolfram is arranging the program. Plans will be discussed for the club's annual picnic.

WILLING WORKERS

Members of the Willing Workers 4-H club will elect officers at an organization meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Allene and Vivian Wolfram. All girls interested in 4-H club work are invited to attend.

HIGHWAY CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. George Fries are planning a tea room dinner for members of the Highway club this evening. Afterward, the group will return to the Fries home for bridge.

Students from Lee and Ogle Counties to Receive Degrees

Eighteen Lee county students and nine from Ogle county will be among the approximate 2,600 candidates for degrees at the sixty-ninth annual Commencement of the University of Illinois, Monday morning. The traditional exercises will be held in the George Huff gymnasium.

Dr. Herman James, president of Ohio University, an Illinois alumnus and son of Dr. Edmund James, who served as president of the University of Illinois from 1904 to 1920, will be the speaker. The Rt. Rev. Robert Nelson Spencer of Kansas City, Mo., Episcopal bishop of West Missouri, will speak at baccalaureate services at 4 p. m. Sunday.

Both baccalaureate and Commencement exercises will be broadcast by the university's radio station, WILL, the former starting at 3:45 p. m. CST on Sunday, and the latter at 9 a. m. CST, Monday.

Among those to receive degrees are the following:

Lee County
Amboy—Norman C. Colby, B. S., engineering; physics; John S. Griffith, B. S., chemical engineering; Robert E. Leake, A. B., liberal arts and sciences.

Ashton—Dorothy E. Dean, B. S., journalism; Doyle G. Moye, B. S., accountancy.

Compton—David Kaufman, B. S., agriculture.

Dixon—Jack M. Bates, B. S., metallurgical engineering; Ruth M. Crombie, B. S., education; Paul F. Flamm, B. S., chemical engineering; Lenore J. Hay, A. B., liberal arts and sciences; Albert N. Kennedy, A. B., liberal arts and sciences; Phyllis Jane Marks, B. S., in journalism; Louis W. Schumm, Jr., B. S., civil engineering; Sidney F. Sinow, A. B., liberal arts and sciences; Justus S. Templeton, Ph. D., geology; Robert E. Williams, B. S., agriculture; Vivian M. Wolfram, B. S., education.

West Brooklyn—Merle B. Thompson, A. M., education.

Ogle County
Byron—John D. Rosenberg, B. S., agriculture.

Leaf River—Harlan M. Mize, A. M., history.

Oregon—Darrell W. Rhoads, B. S., accountancy.

Polo—Forrest H. Mades, B. S., physical education.

Rochelle—Harry W. Butler, A. B., liberal arts and sciences; Leonard J. Druger, B. S., chemistry; Eloise C. Eber, M. S., education; Herbert A. Hubbard, B. S., agriculture; Robert H. Weik, B. S., accountancy.

FRIENDLY EIGHT

Mrs. Harry Fishback entertained at luncheon Wednesday afternoon for members of the Friendly Eight club. Mrs. George Iles, Mrs. Ole Anderson, Mrs. Roy Randall, and Mrs. Charles Buckingham received favors at the card tables. Mrs. William Eller will entertain in two weeks.

Announce Program for Grace Church

Children of Grace Evangelical church will present a Children's Day program at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning. The numbers include:

Instrumental prelude; opening sentence; hymn, "Triumph Service"; songs; congregational prayer; Wilbur Schreiner, Sunday school superintendent, duet, "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"; Emma Haberer and Beverly Beede, scripture reading; Mrs. N. W. Dietrich, "Welcome to You," Patricia Hayden, "Welcome," Lois Boynton, "A Greeting," Avis Bally; "A Children's Day Greeting," Robert Beede.

Exercise, "Jesus the Healer," Beulah Reigle, Darlene Hovle and Delores Hoyle; solos, Eleanor Schick; "Let the Children Be Brought Unto Me," Bonnie Frieburg; "The Radio Beam," Peggy Coursey; "A Sermonette," Nancy Andrews; exercise, "Jewels," Miss Virginia Worman's class, with duet, "Jewels," by Patricia Schofield and Patricia Dietrich; service of baptism; Peace Prayer, Phyllis Barnhart; "Play Fair," Beverly Beede.

Instrumental solo, Marilyn Krahler; "Spoken With Difficulty," Georgia Sherman; "Being Missionary," Roseann Wolber; exercise, "Our Land," Miss Hazel Rhodes' class; "The Non-Churchman," Ruth Boynton; Bible exercise, Darrell Palmer's class; song, "Dear Father, We Will Praise Thee," children's division, with Patricia Schofield singing the second verse; "Some Friends," Alice Miller.

"The Brave Little Missionary," Doris Wisner; exercise, "Garden Rainbows," Mrs. Henry W. Jacobs' class; "Asking for Help," Miss Ellen Finney's class; "Your Chance," Patricia Dietrich; reading, "Mr. Parkson's Missionary Donation," Mrs. Jacobs; offering and announcements; exercise, "Consecration," six girls; "In Closing," Pauline Rubright; benediction, the pastor.

Miss Marilyn Krahler is the pianist, and Mrs. N. W. Dietrich is the director.

MT. MORRIS GIRL PLANS JUNE BRIDAL

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Allen of Mt. Morris announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their youngest daughter, Miss Margaret, and Wayne Hollinger, son of the Edward R. Hollingers. The wedding will take place at the Methodist church in Mt. Morris on June 22.

AT "HAZELWOOD"
Mr. and Mrs. John Stephan, Justin Dart, Jr., Peter Dart, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walgreen, Jr., are spending the weekend at "Hazelwood."

Calendar

Tonight

Friends of Our Native Landscape—Will present Masque at Former Governor Lowden's Sinsissippi farm south of Oregon, 6:30 P. M.

Sunday

Royal Cardinals—Picnic at Lost Nation, 2 P. M.
Reese reunion—At Byron Community house.
Rhodes reunion—At Lowell park.

Monday

Dixon Country club—Box social, 7 P. M.
Junior girls, American Legion Auxiliary—Drill practice at Armory, 4-5 P. M.

WILL RECEIVE TEACHING DIPLOMA

Miss Alice M. Morris will receive a two-year teaching diploma from Northern Illinois State Teachers college at DeKalb during commencement exercises on Monday, June 17. Dr. D. W. Morehouse, president of Drake university, will address the graduates at commencement, and also during baccalaureate services on Sunday evening.

The graduation class this year is the largest in the history of the institution. Approximately 121 students will receive degrees, and 117 others are eligible for two-year diplomas.

Southern Visitors Are Complimented

Continuing a round of informal entertaining which has made the visit of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Saunders of Greenwood, Miss., such a pleasure, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Rosecrans have invited a dozen friends to be their guests at dinner and bridge tonight. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, who are visiting at the home of Mrs. Saunders' brother-in-law and sister, the Orval Gearharts, expect to return to their home in the south the first of the week.

A tea room dinner will precede this evening's contract games at the Richardson home. Yesterday, Mrs. Leon Hart was hostessing at a bridge luncheon for 12, complimenting Mrs. Saunders. Mrs. Frank Kreim, Mrs. Saunders, and Mrs. Grover Gehant won honors at the card tables.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Gearhart and her son, Orval, Jr., motored to Ann Arbor, Mich., to complete arrangements for Orval's entrance at the University of Michigan in September. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders accompanied them north, returning Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Gehant have also entertained for the visitors.

PALMYRA UNIT

Mrs. Emory Overcash of Prairieville will entertain members of the Palmyra Home Bureau unit Thursday afternoon.

With buying outdoor furniture, he inquisitive about the upholstery as well as the frames. Such fabrics as chintz, sailcloth, canvas and duck are now given water-repellent and mildew proof finishes to make them more serviceable for outdoor use. Plain colors and striped patterns are most popular in these materials, but flowered designs can be found. Also important are the pyroxylin finished fabrics that, like leather, are said to be water and vermin-proof and can be cleaned by wiping off with a damp cloth.

A mahogany serpentine-front secretary on which George Washington wrote his personal letters is considered one of the finest existing pieces of American Colonial furniture.

Panel of mirrored glass on the fireplace wall increase the apparent size of the room and reflect the dignified beauty of traditional mahogany furniture.

Wall brackets and hanging shelves were first designed by Chippendale in the middle eighteenth century.

Church News

GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

North Ottawa and East Fellows

Geo. D. Nielsen, minister

Children's Day Sunday, June 9

9:45 a. m. Sunday school service

—annual Children's Day program

will be given at 10:30 a. m. The

morning worship service is merged

with this one. Children will be

presented in baptism. The annual

Children's Day offering for mis-

sions will be received.

7:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor

service. Mrs. Austin Smith, lead-

er.

7:45 p. m. Sacred play will be

presented by a cast of young peo-

ple from the Grace Evangelical

church of Chicago (Logan

Square). Everyone invited to this

interesting production.

Monday, 7:30 p. m. Young Peo-

ple's Missionary Circle monthly

meeting.

7:30 p. m. Men's class meeting

(postponed from last Monday).

Tuesday, 2:30 p. m. Woman's

Missionary society monthly meet-

ing. All women welcome.

6:30 p. m. Young Ladies' chorus

rehearsal.

7:30 p. m. Boy Scouts.

7:30 p. m. Willing Workers'

class meeting.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week

prayer service—two groups.

8:30 p. m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Shepherd's

class monthly meeting.

Sunday, June 16—Father's Day

—Reception of members.

William Slothower, Jr.

Wins Award at Cornell

(Telegraph Special Service)

Mt. Vernon, Ia., June 8.—William

Slothower, Jr., son of Mayor

and Mrs. William V. Slothower

of Dixon, was awarded \$10 in

books of his own choosing for

being the freshman who has done

the most distinctive work in creative

writing at Cornell college the

past year. The award is one of

the four made by an anonymous

donor for outstanding work in

freshman creative writing, the

highest ranking senior in the

English department, the student

who has made the most notable

contribution to the Husk during

the year, and the outstanding member of the Cornellian staff. Awards were made in the last chapel service of the year, May 30. Slothower was editor of the freshman edition of the Cornellian this year and has done outstanding work in writing for his English course. He is also a member of the freshman debate squad.

Church Societies

Missionary Society—Mrs. Whisnand, 81 Lincoln avenue, will be hostess to the Ladies' Missionary society of the Brethren church at 7:45 p. m. Tuesday.

Unity Guild—Mrs. O. F. Goeke was hostess to members of the Unity Guild on Thursday. A picnic luncheon was followed by needlework, and a visit to the Goeke flower garden.

Further meetings will be omitted until September, when Miss Cora Person and Mrs. Mary Filson will entertain.

KILLS SELF AND BABY

Chicago, June 8.—(AP)—Mrs. Charles Crandell, 30, was found crowned in a bathtub in her north side apartment yesterday, holding her three-month-old dead son in her arms. Dr. Patrick Mackler told police the baby evidently had been asphyxiated.

Her husband, a typewriter maintenance man, told police his wife had been under the care of a physician because of a nervous ailment.

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TODAY'S MARKET REPORT

Markets at a Glance

(By The Associated Press)

New York—Stocks slightly mixed; leaders drift. Bonds improved; foreign loans higher. Foreign exchange erratic; sterling lower. Cotton quiet; trade and spot house buying. Metals steady; tight nearby copper supply situation. Wool tops irregular; commission house selling, trade support. Sugar—Saturday markets closed for summer.

Chicago—Wheat lower. Corn lower. Cattle steady. Hogs steady.

Chicago Grain Table

(By The Associated Press)

Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT			
July	80 1/2	81	79 3/4
Sept	81 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2
Dec	82 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2
CORN			
July	63 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2
Sept	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Dec	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
OATS			
July	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Sept	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Dec	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
SOYBEANS			
July	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2
Sept	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2
Dec	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2
BEANS			
July	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2
Sept	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2
Dec	54 1/2	54 1/2	53 1/2

Chicago Cash Grain

Chicago, June 8 (AP)—Cash wheat no sales reported. Corn No. 1 yellow 66 1/2; No. 2 66 1/2; No. 3 66 1/2; Oats No. 1 mix 34 1/2; sample 33 1/2; No. 2 white 35 1/2; No. 3 34 1/2; sample 33 1/2. Barley malting 55 1/2; non-malting 48 1/2. Soy beans No. 2 yellow 81.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, June 8 (AP)—Salable hogs 300; total 8,800; supply too small to establish market; all prices same as Friday; quotable top around 5.40; shippers took none; holdover 500; compared with 7.00; weights 180 lbs down to 350 lbs; weights over 180 lbs 15 1/2 to 25; sows 25 to 35; lower. Salable cattle 300; calves none; compared Friday last week; good and choice fed steers and yearlings 25 to 35; lower instances 35 to 40; down; common and medium grades 15 to 25; lower; meaty stock steers and feeders shelled killed decline, light thin yearlings and stock calves steady; good and choice fat heifers 25; plain and medium kinds weak to 25; lower; all cows 15 to 25; higher; bulls 25 to 40; vealers 50 to 1.00; lower; bulk steers in killer flesh, very good to choice offerings predominating; little about 10.50; however, practical top 11.25 paid for light steers; prime specialties no criterion general market at 12.25; extreme top; common grass steers 7.00; but little under 8.00; light heifers topped at 10.50; heavy heifers 10.15; cows acutely scarce; not enough bulls to meet trade requirement; cutter cows to 6.25; strictly good fat cows to 8.00; heavy sausage bulls to 7.35; vealers closed at 10.00 down. Salable sheep none; total 2,000; late Friday; two doubles two-year-old wethers on Texas order 7.40; load California spring lambs lambing quality 9.00; plain and medium kinds weak to 25; lower; all cows 15 to 25; higher; bulls 25 to 40; vealers 50 to 1.00; lower; bulk steers in killer flesh, very good to choice offerings predominating; little about 10.50; however, practical top 11.25 paid for light steers; prime specialties no criterion general market at 12.25; extreme top; common grass steers 7.00; but little under 8.00; light heifers topped at 10.50; heavy heifers 10.15; cows acutely scarce; not enough bulls to meet trade requirement; cutter cows to 6.25; strictly good fat cows to 8.00; heavy sausage bulls to 7.35; vealers closed at 10.00 down. Salable sheep none; total 2,000; late Friday; two doubles two-year-old wethers on Texas order 7.40; load California spring lambs lambing quality 9.00; plain and medium kinds weak to 25; lower; all cows 15 to 25; higher; bulls 25 to 40; vealers 50 to 1.00; lower; bulk steers in killer flesh, very good to choice offerings predominating; little about 10.50; however, practical top 11.25 paid for light steers; prime specialties no criterion general market at 12.25; extreme top; common grass steers 7.00; but little under 8.00; light heifers topped at 10.50; heavy heifers 10.15; cows acutely scarce; not enough bulls to meet trade requirement; cutter cows to 6.25; strictly good fat cows to 8.00; heavy sausage bulls to 7.35; vealers closed at 10.00 down.

Chicago Produce

Chicago, June 8 (AP)—Potatoes 106 on track 334; total U. S. shipments 955; new stock; supply rather liberal, demand good at slightly lower prices; market slightly weaker; California long whites washed U. S. No. 1 under ventilation some showing few spotted sacks, 1.85 to 2.10; U. S. commercial 1.60 to 2.00; California bliss triumphs U. S. No. 1 washed 1.90 to 2.05; best mostly 2.00 to 2.05; showing heated and some spotted sacks 1.75 to 2.00; U. S. No. 1 unwashed 1.72 to 2.00; mostly around 1.75; U. S. commercial unwashed 1.60 to 2.00; old stock; supply light, no sales reported. Butter 1.472.662; steady; prices unchanged. Eggs 34.006; steady; prices unchanged. Butter futures, storage stds Nov. 26.50. Egg futures, refriger stds Oct. 18.20.

Wall Street Close

(By The Associated Press)

Al Chem & Dye 14 1/2; Allied Sls 5 1/2; Am Car & Pdy 22 1/2; Am Alco 4 1/2; Am Loco 11 1/2; Am P & L 2 1/2; Am Rad & S 1 1/2; Am Roll Mill 1 1/2; Am S & S 3 1/2; Am Stl Pdr 2 1/2; Am T & L 1 1/2; Am Tob 7 1/2; Am T & S 1 1/2; Atl Ref 20 1/2; Atlas Cr 7 1/2; Beth St 6 1/2; Bendix Av 26 1/2; Borg Warner 15; Can Pac 2 1/2; Caterpillar 45; Celanese Cr 24; Cerro De Pas 27; Chrysler Corp 5 1/2; Colum G & El 4 1/2; Coml Credit 29; Conso Oil 6 1/2; Corn Prod 46; Curt Wr 7 1/2; Deere & Co 15; Del Lack & West 23; Du Pont De 15 1/2; Eastman Kod 12 1/2; Gen Elec 29 1/2; Gen Foods 4 1/2; Goodrich 14 1/2; Goodyear T & R 13 1/2; Int Harv 40 1/2; Johns Man 45 1/2; Kenn Corp 26 1/2; Kresge S 21; Kroger Groc 26 1/2; Nat Ward 24; Nash Kely 4; Nat Bnt 17 1/2; Nat Cash Reg 10 1/2; Nat Dairy Fr 12 1/2; N Y Cent R R 10;

No Pac 5 1/2; Packard Mot 3 1/2; Penney J C 7 1/2; Penn R R 16 1/2; Philp Mor 71 1/2; Phillips Pet 30 1/2; Pub Svc N J 32 1/2; Pullman 19 1/2; R C A 4 1/2; R K O 4 1/2; Rem Rand 5 1/2; Reo Mot Cl 1 1/2; Rev Tob B 5 1/2; Sears Roeb 6 1/2; Soc Vac 7 1/2; Std Brands 5 1/2; Std Oil Cal 18 1/2; Std Oil Ind 21 1/2; Std Oil N J 35; Tex Gulf Sul 27 1/2; Tex Pac L Tr 4; Twent C Fox F 5 1/2; Un Carb 62 1/2; Unit Air Lines 14 1/2; Unit Aircr 42 1/2; Unit Corp 13 1/2; Unit Drug 4; Unit Fruit 62 1/2; U S Rub 16 1/2; U S Stl 46 1/2; Warner Bro Pict 21 1/2; Wilson & Co 4; Woolworth F W 30 1/2; Wrigley W Jr 7 1/2; Yell Tr & C 11 1/2; Youngst Sh & T 29 1/2.

U. S. Bonds Close

(By The Associated Press)

Treas 3 1/2 45-43 107.16;
Treas 2 1/2 59-56 103.28;
HOLC 3 1/2 52-44 105.10.

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Chicago Visitors

Miss Kathryn Oddy, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lissio of Chicago are spending Saturday and Sunday with Miss Oddy's mother, Mrs. Grace Oddy.

Ninth Birthday

Miss Maxine Daughin celebrated her ninth birthday at a picnic supper given in her honor at the Pines Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. John Sweet and Mr. and Mrs. Max Daughin and children attended the supper.

To Chicago

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Albright received word this past week of the death of her niece, Mrs. Irvin Nelson, 29, who passed away Friday night at the municipal hospital in Chicago. Mrs. Nelson was the daughter of Fred Joynt of Eldena, and was a former Dixon resident. Mrs. Nelson had been ill for some time. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Phyllis Ann, 2, years old, and two sisters, Mrs. John Jacoby, of Chicago and Mrs. Joe Woolsey of Forreston. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon and interment was made at the River Forest cemetery.

Band Concerts

Polo high school band under the direction of C. E. Rose will play the opening concert of the season Thursday evening, June 13. The concert will be given at the East side park. The new public address system will be used.

Band Concerts

Mr. Rose will enter Northwestern university June 24 for a summer course toward completing his M. M. degree.

Birthday Party

Mrs. Paul Sweet entertained at a birthday party for her daughter Pauline's birthday anniversary. Guests were: Don and Evelyn Schrader, Maxine and Janice Daughin, Tommy and Patsy O'Hare, Marie Knipple, and Wilma Dui sing. The table center piece was a cake with candies and colors were pink and green.

G. A. A. Girls to Camp

The Misses Carol Coffey, Wilma Elam and June Graehling left today for Camp Cutten, Lake Villa, near Waukegan, the north camp, for one week's stay. The girls were chosen by the G. A. A. girls to accept this outing.

Miss Graehling and Miss Elam

will be over-night guests at the Clarence Shiley home at Elmhurst tonight.

Henry Jones, 89, of Iowa, is visiting at the John and Louis Jones homes.

Miss Iona Irvin of El Paso, Tex. is visiting Polo relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Parker

and daughter Alvena of Ladd, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Parker and family of Shannon visited Sunday at the Paul Sweet home.

Mrs. Della Powell spent several days the past week with her daughter, Mrs. Arnold McIlhenny and twin sons at Freeport. The Irvins have been ill but are improving.

Jane Squire of Toledo, Ohio is making a visit this week with her sister and family, Rev. and Mrs. Carl Kammerer.

Mrs. McKinley Anderson returned Thursday evening from the W. R. C. convention at Joliet.

To Convention

Mrs. Alvis Buck, Mrs. Charles McPherson, Mrs. Axel Olsen drove to Sterling today to attend the American Legion Auxiliary convention.

Barbara Barnes, daughter of Lola Barnes, is ill with the chicken pox.

Dick Bentley, son of Helen Bentley, will arrive home Monday from Cornell college for the summer vacation. He will assist Mr. Rose, music director of Polo high school, with special summer class.

es. To Graduation
Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Anderson drive to Princeton Friday to attend graduation exercises of Miss Dorothy Inks, their niece.

Alumni Banquet

One hundred and forty-three were served at the 67th annual alumni banquet dinner at the Lutheran church Friday evening, June 7. Superintendent Willis E. Pittenger introduced the members of the class of 1940. Led by the alumni president Bob Joiner, the association carried on a brief business session, consisting of reports of the secretary and the treasurer and reports of resolutions and nominating committees. The new officers are: President—Miss Avis Gaff; vice president, Harold Kline; secretary—Miss Hazel Hoover; treasurer—Robert Jones, all of Polo. Several vocal selections were given by Robert Hedrick; a saxophone solo by Robert Heckman, accompanied at the piano by C. E. Rose.

Markwood Holmes of Kansas City was the oldest alumni member present. Miss Iona Irvin of El Paso, Texas traveled the greatest distance to attend the banquet. Charles Wolf of Polo has attended the banquet for 18 consecutive years.

The meeting closed with singing one verse of America, led by La Verne Livingston. A dance was held in the high school auditorium.

United service of worship at 10 a. m. Berger Gabrielson and A. Dahlquist of Rockford will tell of the work of the Gideons in placing Bibles in hotels, schools, hospitals and other public places. Rev. Manny will conduct the worship service. Epworth League will meet at 6:30 Sunday evening. Ladies Aid will meet Monday at 2:30 p. m.

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Trinity Lutheran Church
Calendar of activities beginning June 9, 1940.

10:00 a. m. Sunday—The Children's Day program will be presented at the regular church hour.

11:15 a. m. Sunday—The church school. The loose offering at both services will be given to Nachusa home. Have the children remember the offering this Sunday.

2:30 p. m. Tuesday—Children of the church (every other week).

2:00 p. m. Tuesday—Erva Moody society.

7:30 p. m. Tuesday—Workers' conference.

6:30 p. m. Wednesday—Congregational Night (Glad Hand club in charge of preparations).

2:30 p. m. Thursday—Missionary society at Mrs. B. S. Royer home.

7:00 p. m. Thursday—Choir practice.

7:30 p. m. Thursday—Prayer circle.

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FRANKLIN GROVE

Miss Grace Pearl

Correspondent

If you miss your paper call Howard Karper

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Miller and daughters left Wednesday for Waterloo, Iowa where they will remain until Sunday with his relatives.

Charles Clark of Rockford transacted business Monday at the E. R. Buck home.

Miss Betty Bettendorff went to Sublette Thursday where she is staying in the home of her grandmother Bettendorff, who is on the sick list.

Howard Byer and Miss June Miller returned home Wednesday evening from their auto trip to Bernedji, Minn. where they visited his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tholen and daughter Alfreda were Sunday evening guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hullah at Temperance Hill.

Miss Darlene Buck, who has been a student at Manchester College North Manchester, Ind., came home Monday to spend the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Myers of Rochelle were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Brewer.

Merle Cluts spent Sunday and Monday with friends in North Manchester, Ind.

Service Sunday Afternoon
Rev. Billy Opie will preach at the afternoon service at Camp Christian. In the evening the Colonial Bell Ringers will present a sacred concert. These people are nationally known and are passing near here enroute to an appointment. Rev. Opie was very fortunate to secure their services. Special music Sunday afternoon.

Homecoming
Remember the Homecoming at the Carthage school house, June 16th. Picnic rules will be observed. A good program will be given in the afternoon. Everyone welcome.

Making Good
Miss Georgia Peterman, who is attending Eureka College at Eureka, Ill., will come home Monday for a few weeks' visit in the home of her mother, Mrs. Ada Peterman. Georgia is making really more than good at the college which is very pleasing news. Her first twelve years of schooling were spent at this place graduating from the local high school with high honors. Georgia was recently elected president of next year's senior class of the Eureka college and also heads Delta Zeta, national society. She is a delegate from the college to the National Delta Zeta convention to be held at Manakina Island in Michigan, during the month of July. Georgia also received a scholarship to the Radio Drama Workshop Wisconsin College of Music at Milwaukee, Wis.

Died at Home of Daughter
Mrs. H. M. Coe, who has made her home the past several years with her daughter, Mrs. Olive Cupp passed away Monday night at the Cupp home after a long illness. Funeral services were held at the Preston funeral home in Dixon. Rev. J. H. Hughes, pastor of the Baptist church officiated. Burial in the Dixon cemetery. Mrs. Coe formerly lived in Dixon.

Anton Schier Dies
Anton Schier well known in this community, aged about 72, died at the Dixon hospital Tuesday evening. His son Warner Schier lives south of town and a daughter, Mrs. Stanley Kuhn, north of town. For many years the Schier family lived near Lighthouse and did their trading at this place. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Lighthouse Methodist church, conducted by Rev. C. J. Lindsay of Oregon and the Rev. W. S. Eaton of Lighthouse. Burial was in the cemetery adjoining the church yard.

Now is the Time to Swim
After having no pool to swim in the past two years the opening of the pool this year is a sure treat to both young and old. The water is clear. The pool has been repainted white, as has all the buildings at the pool. The price is extremely reasonable. The pool is opened at any time, day and evening.

Home Again
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Weigle returned home Monday evening from their month's auto trip to Seattle, Wash. and other places of interest. They were accompanied by their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schmidtman of Milwaukee, Wis. Dave will soon be around reading the meters for the I. N. U. for which he has worked many years.

Bible School
The Daily Bible School is progressing very well. The enrollment is about seventy. Rev. Louis Grafton is the superintendent. Mrs. Grafton assisted by June Hatch and Marion Mattem has charge of the Beginners. The Primary department is in charge of Mrs. Abram Gilbert assisted by Mrs. Cecil Emmons, and Ila Blocher.

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FANFARE



By DON DANIELSON.

BIG DOINGS TOMORROW NIGHT

Forget your troubles and the heat by hustling out to the Airport tomorrow night for another feature attraction of softball. In the first game the Kellers team of the local league will play Forrester and Reynolds will tangle with the Kraft Cheese team of Freeport in the curtain dropper. "Flash" Fordham is expected to do the chucking for the wiremen and Wiegie will probably hurl for Kellers.

DE MOLAY VS. MOOSE

The DeMolay and Moose softball teams, rained out of a previous contest, are scheduled to meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at Lowell park. Members of DeMolay team are asked to meet at the Masonic Temple at 1:30 o'clock.

GAMES RAINED OUT

Base runners at the Airport softball park would have needed a rowboat or pontoons last night as an early-evening rain drenched the diamond and made Holland canals of the base lines. The teams which were rained out last night are becoming the league's hard luck boys as three of them (Sparky's, Three Deuces and United Cigar) have been able to get in only one game in the three weeks of the season thus far. The Sinclair-United game and Sparky's tilt with Three Deuces have been added to the end of the schedule and will be played on Wednesday night, August 7.

MT. MORRIS HURLER WINS

Nelson Potter of Mt. Morris, pitching for the Philadelphia Athletics, allowed only six hits in the 3 to 2 victory over the St. Louis Browns yesterday. It was Potter's third victory against four defeats.

FINAL DAY TO QUALIFY

Dixon Country Clubbers are reminded by Bill Foster that tomorrow is the final day for qualifying in the two-ball foursome handicap tourney. To be eligible to compete in this event, each contestant shall have played eighteen holes, either consecutively or in pairs of nine. From this score the proper handicap for the tourney will be calculated by the official handicappers. Defending champions in this event are Ken Detweiler and LeGrand Cannon. The regular blind bogey attraction will be held tomorrow morning on the local links which have rounded out in superb playing condition.

V. F. W. VS. STATE HOSPITAL

The V. F. W. baseball team will play the State Hospital nine at the colony grounds tomorrow morning at 9:30. This will be a return game for the two teams, the hospital having won the first. Last Sunday the V. F. W. defeated the Junior American Legion and now seek a second victory. Although a complete list of fans who have helped with the launching of this team is not available, V. F. W. Commander John Thomas wishes especially to thank Walter Knack and Joe Miller for their efforts in helping the team secure uniforms, and Larry Poole for donating the cleaning of them.

BATTING-FIELDING AVERAGES

The third of the softball leaders to come under the atom-smashing statistics is the Freeman club which has won three straight games and remains undefeated to date.

Player	Pos.	G.	AB.	R.	H.	2B.	3B.	HR.	Pct.	P.O.	A.	E.	Pct.
Cramer, sf	3	12	3	6	1	0	0	0	.500	4	0	0	1.000
Reynolds, 3b	1	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	.500	1	2	0	1.000
Kuhn, lf	3	9	2	3	0	0	0	0	.333	3	0	0	1.000
Pitman, rf	3	10	2	3	1	0	1	0	.300	2	0	0	.666
Kelchner, c	3	11	4	3	0	1	0	0	.272	16	4	2	.909
S. Randall, 1b	3	9	3	2	0	0	0	0	.222	17	0	1	.944
Clayton, cf	3	9	3	2	1	0	0	0	.222	4	1	0	1.000
Fox, ss	3	9	4	2	2	0	0	0	.222	5	3	0	1.000
Penland, 3b	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	.166	5	1	1	.857
Dempsey, 2b	3	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000	5	3	0	1.000
Williams, p	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	1.000
Team totals		94	28	24	5	1	1	.255	63	15	8	.939	

DIXON VS. PRINCETON

Members of Plum Hollow Country club who are planning to participate in the match with Princeton at the Indian Hills course Sunday, are asked to call Frank L. Randall to make known their intentions.

Sluggers' Averages Drop; Pitchers Are in Good Form and Bad Humor

New York, June 8—(AP)—It takes just one glance at the averages of the major league batting leaders this week to see that they found opposing pitchers in good form and bad humor.

Lou Finney, the Boston Red Sox' outfielder, who has been skyrocketing all spring, fizzled from a .396 mark to a more common-place .368 and wound up just two points ahead of the St. Louis Browns' Rip Radcliff, who last Saturday had a stratospheric .393.

But their drop was nothing as compared to the 59-point collapse of Frank Hayes of the Philadelphia Athletics from .392 to .333. The National leagues had the same trouble, except that they didn't have as far to fall. Harry Danning of the New York Giants continued to pace the senior circuit sluggers, but his average subsided 30 points from .382 to .352. Dixie Walker of the Dodgers, who was second last week at .354, slipped to a modest .333. The only outstanding exceptions to this widespread slump were

of the night competition, dispelling new record possibilities. The Hoosier star who won the shot put and discus in the Big Ten meet, duplicated that feat here, setting a new record in the discus in the afternoon trials with a heave of 163 feet, 8 1/2 inches. His feat broke the 1939 mark of 162 feet, 9 1/2 inches set by William Faymonville of Notre Dame.

Oklahoma's Koettel finished second in the 100-yard dash to Little Leo Tarrant of Alabama (Montgomery) Teachers and defeated him in the 220-yard dash. His first and second gave the four-man sooner team nine of its 16 points.

Indiana was runner-up to Marquette with 28 3-5 points. Wisconsin scored 27 1-10 and Notre Dame was fourth at 24 1-10.

Marquette had no individuals to match Indiana university's Archie Harris or Oklahoma's George Koettel, but team strength and balance gave the Hill topplers the crown with a total of 41 1-5 points. The victors counted a point or more in 11 of the 16 events, but won only two first places and tied for another.

Rain Is Handicap
A heavy rain fell through most

Blades Ousted From Cardinals

Three Illinois State League Tilts Sunday

BLADES IS OUT; DODGERS ASSUME LEAD IN CIRCUIT

Billy Southworth Will Command St. Louis Cardinals

By JUDSON BAILEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

Ray Blades is out and the Brooklyn Dodgers are in. The responsibility for the major leagues' first managerial crackup of 1940 should be spread in a lot of directions, but the Dodgers will have to shoulder their share of the blame, because they are doing everything the St. Louis Cardinals were supposed to do this season.

It was more than a coincidence that yesterday as the Cards fired Blades and hired Billy Southworth, the indomitable Dodgers drove back into first place in the National league with a 4-2 eleven inning conquest of the Cincinnati Reds.

This was the sixth straight in a new winning streak for Brooklyn and the two immediately preceding triumphs had come at the expense of the Cardinals. One of them, 10-1 Tuesday night, probably caused Sam Breadon to decide to swap managers in St. Louis, because he left the next day for New York to meet Southworth, pilot of the Cards' Rochester farm in the International league.

The Cards last season soared from sixth to second place under Blades' guidance, and were labeled as the team that could rout the Reds this year.

Give Stirring Show

The Dodgers gave a stirring show at Cincinnati yesterday, winning on a two-run homer by Dolph Camilli in the 11th and stopping Bucky Walters' undefeated streak at nine games.

The Cardinals, under the temporary handling of Coach Mike Gonzales, squeezed past the New York Giants, 3-2, with the help of five double plays, and advanced into fifth place. Southworth will take charge of the club Monday. He ought to know the magnitude of the task ahead, because he replaced another "miracle manager" of the Cards, Bill McKechnie, in 1929, the year after McKechnie won the pennant. Southworth lasted until July and then the Cards brought back McKechnie, who had been at Rochester.

Another Swap

Another swap in positions yesterday's general upheaval in the National league saw the Pittsburgh Pirates finally get out of the cellar and the Boston Bees drop in. The Pirates pounded out 18 hits to crush the Phillies, 10-4. The Chicago Cubs beat the Bees, 5-3, with Bill Nicholson hitting his third homer in two days and Claude Passeau pitching eight-hit ball.

The New York Yankees handed Cleveland and Bob Feller a 5-1 beating, bunting four singles for two runs in the ninth. The Tribe was held to five hits, one of them Hal Trosky's 14th home run.

Cleveland's setback preserved the Boston Red Sox' half game lead in the American league although Hal Newhouse baffled the Bostonians with seven-hit pitching that enabled the Detroit Tigers to win, 7-1.

The Washington Senators edged out the Chicago White Sox, 3-2, and squeezed past the same club into fifth place in the standings. It was the seventh triumph for Dutch Leonard.

Rookie Al Brancato took care of the Philadelphia Athletics, beating the St. Louis Browns, 3-2, by driving in all the A's runs on a triple, a double and a single. Nelson Potter kept his hits scattered.

CLAY BRYANT HAS MEETING WITH OWNER WRIGLEY TODAY

Chicago, June 8—(AP)—Clay Bryant, whose conferences with Commissioner K. M. Landis failed to alter his suspension without pay by the Chicago Cubs, has a third meeting ahead of him today with Owner P. K. Wrigley.

The get together was arranged yesterday after Landis ruled the Chicago club was "within its rights in suspending the player until he gets into condition to pitch."

Bryant had wanted this year's salary in full and the club to stand the expense of further treatment on his arm, ailing since 1938. He later asked for his unconditional release. Wrigley had refused on all counts.

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Little Ties Snead for Lead in Open



(NEA Telephoto.)
Sam Snead (right) congratulating Lawson Little (left) after Little had tied his score of 141 at the end of 36 holes of play at the National Open golf tournament in Cleveland.

THREE ARE TIED IN GOLF TOURNAMENT AS FINALS NEAR

Snead, Little and Smith Are Deadlocked in National Open

Cleveland, June 8—(AP)—They "moobed" the playoff window today in the drama of pressure, failure and victory that is golf's biggest gamble—the National Open championship.

Promising what may be the greatest finish in the history of a tournament well marked by heartbreak and disappointment to favorites and the sudden rush of longshots to fame, 21 of the game's finest stars were within a six stroke leadership bracket as the final 36-hole stretch drive started at Canterbury course.

Deadlocked for the 36-hole lead at 141 strokes were two top power players, "Slamming Sam" Snead and Lawson Little; and one of golf's style artists, suave Horton Smith, one-time "Joplin Ghost" and boy wonder of the sport. Their battle toward the game's biggest crown—with almost a score of others ready to take advantage of any slip—carried the prospect of as colorful a free-for-all as the event has ever known.

Snead, who lost his grasp on the title a year ago with a disastrous eight, turned in a two over par card of 39-35-74 yesterday to add to his Thursday round of 67, five under regulation figures.

Winds Add Handicap
Canterbury's trick winds, dormant two days, roared over the fairways during a rain squall which sent Sam reeling at the sixth hole. He took one over par three and three over for the out nine. Coming home, he picked up three strokes on six holes, then ran into trouble at the short 17th going two over par.

The broad-shouldered Little, working on an opening 72, came in with a three under par card of 36-33-69, playing the kind of golf which won him the British and American amateur titles in 1934 and Smith, tall Chicago professional, had nines of 36-36 to match par as against his first round 69. On the 18th, Smith missed by an inch a nine-foot putt which would have given him the lead and a slight edge toward capturing a title neither he, Snead or Little ever has won.

Walsh Has 142
Frank Walsh, veteran Rumson, N. J. professional, was just a stroke off the pace at 142, going around yesterday in 69. Sam Parks, Jr., Pittsburgh, and Ben Hogan, Dublin, Tex., were bracketed at 143. Parks, 1935 winner, had a second round 74. Hogan a 73. Ralph Guldahl, two time Open champion, was at 144 and in position to turn loose the finishes which saw him win in 1937 and 1938. Also in the 144 division were Len Dodson, E. J. (Dutch) Harrison, and Vic Ghezzi.

Former Champion Gene Sarazen had 145, along with Jock Hutchison, Jr., Lloyd Mangrum, and Craid Weed. Defending Champion Byron Nelson, whose 37-37-74 yesterday gave him a 146 total, had the company of Jim Foulis, Henry Picard, PGA titlist, Harold McSpaden, Leland Gibson, Ed Oliver and Andrew Gibson.

Jim Demaret of Houston, Tex., big gun of the winter tour, ballooned to a 41 going out after a first round 74 and then withdrew without turning in his card. Jim Ferrier, Australian champion, was low scoring amateur, getting a 74 yesterday for a 147 aggregate. Sixty-six scorers of 153 and ties, qualified for the final round.

Forrester Team Trims Sterling Outfit, 10 to 9

The Forrester Machine Shop softball team defeated the Sterling Red Devils Thursday night, 10 to 9, in a game that was not decided until the eighth inning on successive singles by Miller and Griffith, a walk and a double by Smith scoring three runs for Forrester.

The game was featured by the great fielding of Hietman whose sensational catches saved the pitcher, Cheeseman, several times. The hitting of Duhm was the highlight of the Sterling playing. He snagged a homer and a double, the latter with two men aboard in the second inning.

Box score:

Forrester (10)				
	ab	r	h	e
Miller, ss	3	1	1	0
Griffith, c	2	4	2	1
Smith, 3b	4	1	1	1
Hietman, cf	5	1	1	0
Kane, rf	4	1	1	0
Living, lf	5	1	1	2
Lang, c	3	1	0	0
Grier, lb	4	0	0	0
Haan, 2b	0	1	0	1
Dryman, p	4	0	0	0
Kensema, c	2	0	1	0
Cheesman, p	4	1	0	0
Total	37	10	7	4

Sterling (9)				
	ab	r	h	e
D. Zhinden, ss	4	1	0	0
B. Zhinden, 2b	4	1	1	1
Salm, c	5	0	2	0
F. Washburn, rf	4	2	1	0
G. Washburn, lf	4	1	0	0
Duhm, lb	4	2	0	0
Dryman, 3b	4	2	2	2
Fulfs, p	4	0	0	0
Jenkins, cf	2	1	0	1
Woodvatt, p	3	0	1	1
Holsue	1	0	0	0
Sterling	0	5	0	0
Forrester	0	3	0	1
Total	33	7	10	4

HOW THEY STAND

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W	L	Pct	
Brooklyn	27	11	.711	
Cincinnati	29	13	.690	
Chicago	22	15	.595	
St. Louis	23	15	.605	
Philadelphia	14	23	.378	
Pittsburgh	13	23	.361	
Boston	12	24	.333	

Games Today
Boston at Chicago.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati (2).
New York at St. Louis (2).
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.

Games Sunday
Boston at Chicago (2).
Brooklyn at Cincinnati (2).
New York at St. Louis (2).
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (2).

Results Yesterday
Chicago 5; Boston 3.
Brooklyn 4; Cincinnati 2 (11 innings).
Pittsburgh 10; Philadelphia 4.
St. Louis 3; New York 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Boston	25	15	.625
Cleveland	27	18	.600
Detroit	24	18	.571
New York	23	20	.535
Chicago	20	25	.444
Washington	20	26	.435
Philadelphia	18	24	.429
St. Louis	16	27	.372

Games Today
Chicago at Washington.
St. Louis at Philadelphia.
Cleveland at New York (2).
Detroit at Boston.

Games Sunday
Chicago at Washington (2).
St. Louis at Philadelphia (2).
Detroit at Boston (2).
Cleveland at New York (2).

Results Yesterday
Washington 3; Chicago 2.
New York 5; Cleveland 4.
Detroit 7; Boston 1.

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THREE LEAGUE GAMES ARE ON TAP SUNDAY

GAMES TOMORROW
West Brooklyn at Dixon
Shabbona at Amboy
Lee at Maytown

When the umpires around the Illinois State League call "Play Ball!" tomorrow afternoon only six of the eight teams will answer. Fans of Steward and Walton will be taking a "rain check" on the game scheduled for the latter's diamond. Instead, the Walton gang will be enclosed within prison walls—not through any crime of their own, but because of a game scheduled with the prisoners at Joliet's state penitentiary. The Walton-Steward contest will be decided at the close of the season, probably on August 25.

With competition in the league almost on a par this season (even though the Knacks may disagree) the prospects for a brilliant year have increased from Sabbath to Sabbath. In the games played thus far the Dixon Knacks, defending champions, seem well on their way toward another title, but there are many slips between the cup and lip.

Included among the strong teams this year are the two new members, Amboy and Shabbona. The former has demonstrated its right to membership in the loop by winning two games (Walton and Maytown) and bowing only to Dixon in a season opener which found the team lacking experience.

Shabbona, on the other hand, has won two games, also, counting as victims Lee and Steward. West Brooklyn nipped the Shabbona club in the season's opener, 3 to 3.

Lee and Maytown, two veterans of the league, will be jockeying for position in the climb out of the cellar in their game at Maytown tomorrow.

Highlighting the set up for the Dixon fans will be that traditional feud at Reynolds field where the Knacks will be hosts to West Brooklyn. Dixon probably gets more delight out of defeating the Brooklynites than any other team—and vice versa, the Brooklyn club pouts everything into the clash with the Knacks.

All League games are called for 2:30 o'clock.

KINGS OF THE MILE WILL BE MISSING AT PRINCETON INVITATION TRACK FESTIVAL

Princeton, N. J., June 8—(AP)—The kings of the mile were missing but the seventh annual Princeton university invitation track festival still carried in its seven well balanced races today threats to several world marks.

For the first time since he inaugurated the carnival with a world record 4:06.7 mile in 1934, Glenn Cunningham won't compete. Absent also was Cunningham's successor as the greatest of millers, the ailing Chuck Fenske.

Thus the mile, usually the featured race on this star-studded program, became just another event while attention focussed on Fred Wolcott's assault on both the 120 high and the 220 low hurdle marks and Greg Rice's attempt to smash Don Lash's 5:58.3 two mile outdoor record, set on the Palmer stadium track in the rain in 1936.

Lash, an Indiana state policeman, faces Rice in the two-mile while Wolcott should meet substantial opposition from Royce Gatewood of Texas and Marsh Farmer of Texas Tech.

The 440 brings together the outstanding quarter-mile of the land. Charley Belcher from Georgia Tech, who has the year's best time of 1:47, races Lee Orr of Washington State, Johnny Quigley, Manhattan freshman who won the event last year as a schoolboy, among others.

Blaine Rideout is favorite in the mile. His twin brother Wayne is entered in the two-mile.

The other events were the 480-shuttle hurdles relay between quartets from Texas and Yale and the half mile with an evenly matched field.

Philadelphia 3; St. Louis 2.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	Pct
Kansas City	31	14	.689
St. Paul	28	13	.683
Indianapolis	22	21	.512
St. Louis	20	21	.488
Louisville	20	23	.465
St. Paul	17	21	.447
Toledo	14	26	.350
St. Paul	15	28	.349

(x)—Night game excluded.
Games Today
Minneapolis at Louisville.
St. Paul at Indianapolis (2).
Kansas City at Toledo (2).
Milwaukee at Columbus (2).
St. Paul 6; Toledo 0 (night).

Games Sunday
Minneapolis at Louisville (2).
St. Paul at Indianapolis (2).
Kansas City at Toledo (2).
Milwaukee at Columbus (2).
St. Paul 6; Toledo 0 (night).

Marriage announcements—engaged or printed.—B. F. Shaw Printing Company.

LEE CENTER AND SLUGGERS WIN IN ASHTON'S LEAGUE

Doubleheader is Staged Last Night at Kersten Ball Park

LEAGUE STANDINGS				
	W	L	Pct	
Lee Center	2	0	1.000	
Ashton Sluggers	1	0	1.000	
Ashton Cheesers	1	1	.500	
Country	0	1	.000	
Franklin Grove	0	2	.000	

GAMES LAST NIGHT
Ashton Sluggers 8; Franklin Grove 1.
Lee Centers 18; Ashton Cheesers 17.

GAMES MONDAY NIGHT
Country Team vs Sluggers.
Franklin Grove vs Lee Center.

Lee Center took the lead in the Ashton softball league at Kersten field last night by winning the second game in the first week of play. The leaders counted an 18 to 17 victory over the Ashton Cheesers in a hard hitting skirmish with a total of 32 hits in the game. In the other game of the twin bill the Ashton Sluggers made their debut into the circuit by slapping Franklin Grove 8 to 1 for the losers second defeat.

R. Farver and Blackwell were the two winning pitchers in last night's games.

BIRD IN THE CLOCK

HORIZONTAL

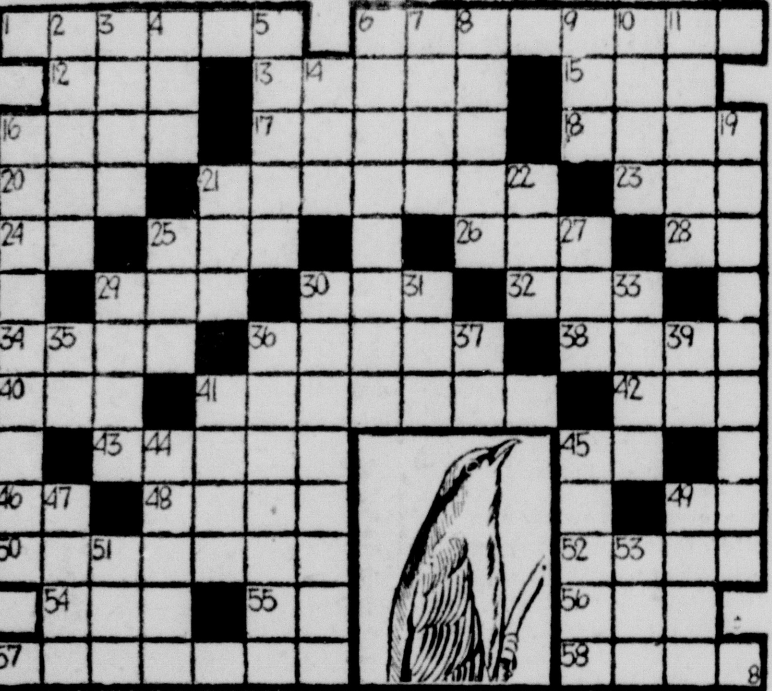
1 Familiar European bird
6 It has a two-syllabled (pl.).
12 Part of foot.
13 Sewer.
15 Copper.
16 Animal's nose ring.
17 Genesse magistrates.
18 Bench.
20 Beer.
21 Translated a code message.
23 Land held under tenure.
24 Musical note.
25 Dormouse.
26 To card wool.
28 South Carolina (abbr.).
29 Electrified particle.
30 Raven's cry.
32 Canine animal.
34 A seasoning.
36 Storms.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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OMEN HADES PREY
TIS DEPORTS MEN
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AMENDED FLOWERS
RATS LIST FEENS

VERTICAL

2 Practical.
3 Apple center.
4 Reach of sight.
5 Queerer.
6 Wagons collectively.
7 Hastened.
8 Insertion.
9 Small flap.
10 Plant part.
11 Domestic slaves.
14 Fabulous bird.
16 Only a few types of this bird are.
19 It belongs to the family.
21 Payment demand.
22 Old garment.
25 Whitticism.
27 Soft broom.
29 Kinds.
30 Fondled.
31 Married.
33 End of a race.
35 Form of "a."
36 To transpire.
37 Therefore.
39 Upon.
41 Dove.
44 Invigorating medicine.
45 Gray white.
47 Precept.
49 Sacred bull.
51 To rot flax.
53 Metallic rock.



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By William Ferguson



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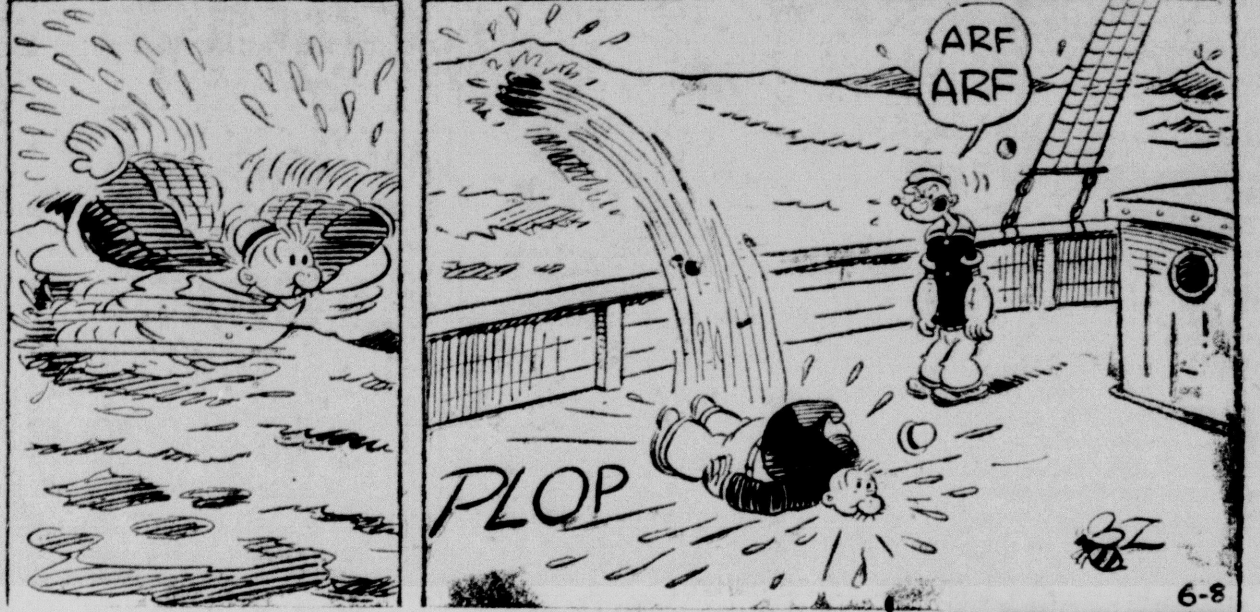
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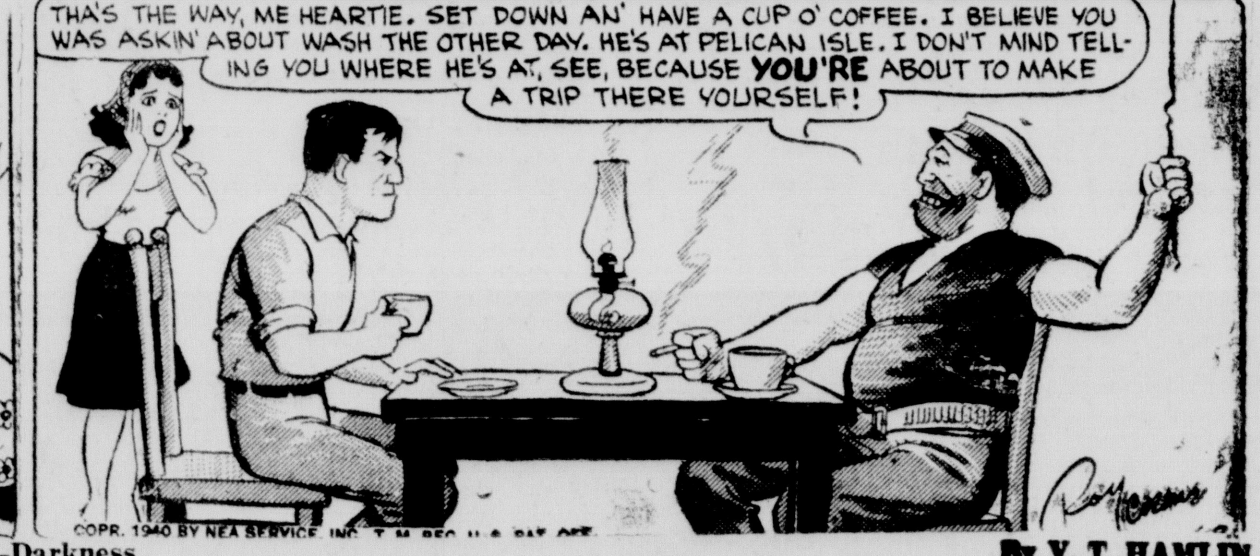
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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:
Plans, specifications, and proposal forms may be obtained from the County Superintendent of Highways at his office in the Court House in Dixon, Illinois.
All proposals must be accompanied by a bank cashier's check or bank draft for ten (10) per cent of the amount of the bid as provided in the "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction" prepared by the Department of Public Works and Buildings of the State of Illinois, adopted by said Department October 1, 1938.

The Road and Bridge Committee of the Lee County Board of Supervisors and the Commissioner of Highways of Bradford Township reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals and to waive technicalities.
Signed:
Lee County Road & Bridge Committee
Andrew Scharpf — Comm. of Hwy. Bradford Twp.
June 8th-12th-18th.

Office of the Supervising Engineer of the Federal Works Agency, Public Buildings Administration, Washington, D. C., June 1, 1940. Sealed bids, in triplicate, will be received at this office until 10 A. M. Standard Time, June 21, 1940, and then publicly opened, for furnishing the materials, and performing the work for new heating boiler, etc., at the U. S. P. O., Dixon, Ill., in strict accordance with the specifications dated SE-R, May 20, 1940, and drawings (if any) mentioned therein; and the general conditions dated April 1, 1940. Specifications and other data may be had at the office of the custodian of the building or Federal Works Agency, Public Buildings Administration, Washington, D. C. Neal A. Melick, Supervising Engineer.
June 8, 10, 12, 1940

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Outstanding Programs For Tonight and Tomorrow Listed

TONIGHT
6:00 Heidelberg Ensemble — WIND
Gang Busters—WBBM
Charlie Baum's Orch. — WGN
"Prepare to Die"—drama WMAQ
6:30 Lone Ranger—WGN
Bob Byrne's Orch. — WBBM
Radio Guild Drama — WMAQ
Wayne King's Orch. — WBBM
7:00 Concert Orch. —WMAQ
Hit Parade—WBBM
7:30 Frank Black Presents — WMAQ
7:45 Saturday Night Serenade — WBBM
Bill McCune's Orch.—WGN
WBBM Williams' Orch. — WGN
Bob Crosby's Orch. — WMAQ

MONDAY Afternoon
12:00 Young Doctor Malone — WBBM
Is Anybody Home?—WGN
Light of the World — WMAQ

Evening
6:00 Edger Bergen—WMAQ
Columbia Workshop — WBBM
6:30 One Man's Family — WMAQ
Musical Steelmakers — WGN
"Swing Go"—WBBM
7:00 Jessica Dragonette — WBBM
Manhattan Merry-Go-Round — WBBM
Walter Winchell—WBBM
7:15 Parker Family—WBBM
7:30 Irene Rich—WBBM
Album of Familiar Music—WMAQ
8:00 Good Will Hour—WBBM
Take It Or Leave It — WBBM
Hour of Charm—WMAQ
8:30 Bobby Byrne's Orchestra—WMAQ
Columbia Workshop — WBBM
9:00 Answer Man—WGN
Carl Ravazza's Orch. — WBBM
9:30 Bill McCune's Orch.—WGN
Kay Kyser's Orch.—WBBM
Lou Breeze's Orch. — WMAQ
10:00 Ray Noble's Orch.—WBBM
Jan Savitt's Orch.—WMAQ
Clyde Lucas' Orch. — WBBM
10:30 Leonard Keller's Orch. — WBBM
Bob Mellor's Orch.—WBBM
Music You Want—WBBM
Francis Craig's Orch. — WBBM
11:00 Pilner & Earl's Orch. — WBBM
Ten Disciples of Rhythm — WMAQ
WMAQ Alexander's Orch. — WBBM

Evening
6:00 Telephone Hour—WMAQ
Tune Up Time—WBBM
Play Broadcast—WGN
Today's baseball game — WIND
6:30 Smoking Time — WBBM
True or False—WLS
Lone Ranger—WGN
Margaret Speaks—WMAQ
Doctor I. Q.—WMAQ
Radio Theater—WBBM
Concert Miniature—WBBM
7:30 Alec Templeton—WMAQ
Elliott Roosevelt—WIND
8:00 Guy Lombardo's Orch. — WBBM
Lullaby Land—WMAQ
8:30 Blonds—WBBM
Sammy Kaye's Orch. — WMAQ
Gallant American Women — WBBM
Romance in Rhythm—WGN
9:00 Antos 'n' Andy—WBBM
Pleasure Time—WMAQ
Lew Diamond's Orch. — WGN
Ten O'clock Final—WBBM
9:15 Rolling Trio—WGN
9:30 Lanny Ross—WBBM
Music Lovers Program — WBBM
National Radio Forum — WIND
Breeze's Orch. — WMAQ
10:00 Todd Hunter—WBBM
Van Alexander's Orch. — WBBM
Clyde Lucas' Orch. — WBBM
WBBM
Carl Ravazza's Orch. — WMAQ
10:30 Ozzie Nelson's Orch. — WBBM
Blue Barron's Orch.—WGN
Brenda Cummings' Orch. — WMAQ
Music You Want—WBBM
11:00 Everett Hoagland's Orch.—WGN
Jack Coffey's Orch. — WBBM
Nite Watch—WIND
Deke Moffitt's Orch. — WMAQ

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YOU GOT STRICKLY A DELOOX STOMACH, MISTAH MAJOR! I SPOSE AFTER YOU HAS SELECTED TH' MEALS, YOU WILL HAB TIME TO CARVE A FEW PLANKS FO' DE PLATFORM—IS YOU GOIN' TO MAKE TH' KEYHOLE SPEECH?

By WILLIAMS
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WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY
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BREAKFAST FIRST, AFFAIRS OF STATE SECOND

6-8

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Brief History of Unique Society by J. B. Lennon

By J. B. LENNON

The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Palmyra completed a span of seventy-five years on February 15th, 1940, the company having been chartered by special Act of the Illinois legislature on February 15th, 1865, and the company has continued to operate most successfully over this entire period. The aims and hopes of its organizers, as outlined in the early minutes, with reference to fulfilling its obligations to its policyholders, and in keeping its affairs on a sound and conservative basis, have been more than realized.

In compiling the story of the company, it is, of course, necessary to depend upon its early records for source material, and much of the text of this article is direct quotation from these records. An effort has been made to pick up the story back of the usually concise entries on the records—to reflect the early activities of the founders in their worthwhile enterprise. Complete records are not available, but the existing files are complete, and they outline the progress of the company down through the years. These records also tell the story of generally harmonious relations within the company management, and in connection with its dealings with policyholders, but they also indicate that matters of importance were thoroughly threshed out at the meetings of the managers and of the company, and decisions made with due regard for majority rule and with due deliberation. If space permitted, the writer would like to incorporate in this tale a short biographical sketch of the substantial and respected individuals who were responsible for the organization and management of the company, but must confine this article to brief mention of some of the most active members, and with general commendation of all. It will be noted that the organizers of the company were all residents of Palmyra township, which accounts for the name of the company, but as the company grew and expanded managers were elected from neighboring townships and counties, and the board has been composed of members drawn from over a large territory, for many years.

Initial Entry

The initial entry in the first minute book, under date of December 22, 1864, recites that a meeting was held on that date, in Shirer's hall, for the purpose of considering an application for a charter, for the establishment of a mutual fire insurance company. The meeting was organized by the election of Rev. C. B. Thummel as chairman and O. H. Martin as secretary. Rev. C. B. Thummel later acted as secretary-treasurer for 15 years, and is well remembered by the older inhabitants of Palmyra and vicinity, as a scholarly, Christian gentleman. Extracts from his minutes, which will appear later in this article, show his trust in Divine Providence in connection with the affairs of the company, and for which he gives due credit in his records. O. H. Martin, father of O. H. Martin of Dixon, was the young schoolmaster of the Palmyra school at that time—a man of more than ordinary qualifications—who later became a very successful physician. In addition to the chair officers named, the following leading citizens of Palmyra were named as a committee to revise the constitution previously written, and to make formal application to the legislature for a charter: Abijah Powers, Levi Gaston, E. B. Chase, A. D. Moon, Charles Lawton, John H. Page, W. W. Beetha, A. D. Whitcomb, Richard

Peck, Frederick W. Coe and Walter Rogers. Many other representative citizens were undoubtedly present but we have no record of their names.

As previously stated, the charter was granted by the Illinois legislature on Feb. 15, 1865, and on April 10 of that year an organization meeting was held at the Union school house at Prairieville. In this connection, the regular and special meetings of the company were held in this school house until 1881, when the meeting was held in the newly erected Prairieville church, and since that date they have been held, as a rule, in the town hall at Gap Grove in Palmyra township. Special committee meetings were occasionally held at the home of one of the members. We note from the records that rainy weather, with its effect on the black dirt roads of the early days, sometimes created "no quorum" and called for adjournment to some later date. At this special session a board of managers was elected, consisting of 13 members, their terms of office being fixed as follows: five members to serve for one year, four for two years, and four for three years, and this arrangement is still in force. The original board of managers was made up of the 11 names of the committee who made application for the charter, and attended to the preliminary work of the organization, together with the Rev. C. B. Thummel and O. H. Martin. John H. Page, father of the Pages who located the milk condensery in Dixon, was elected as first President under the charter, and served for two years in that office, when he moved to Iowa. He was succeeded as president by Hon. Abijah Powers, who held this office until his death in 1891, thus serving 22 years as president and as one of the managers from its organization. On the occasion of his death the minutes of the company carry a splendid testimonial from which we quote: "whose sterling integrity; whose purity of character; whose financial ability and widely known personal worth secured the confidence of its members that neither shoddy nor sham would find a resting place within its portals while he was at its head, and who, by his example, has taught the lesson that there is no capital to the business man equal to character."

His son, Austin A. Powers, is president of the company at this time, having served in this office for 34 years, which appears to be the longest term of service of any officer or manager of the company.

First Annual Meeting

It was voted at the organization meeting that this company "commence operations when \$75,000 of insurance had been written." The first regular annual meeting was held on June 6, 1865, and at this time it was reported that about \$100,000 of insurance had been written, and "that the company was in operation to take risks and to prosecute its legitimate work." A tentative draft of by-laws was submitted, and became the object of considerable debate and argument, later being reported back to the committee for further revision. The amended draft was adopted at a called meeting on June 10, 1865, and the records show that they have been amended from time to time thereafter, to meet changing times and conditions. At this meeting the managers reported that the first application for insurance was taken on May 15, 1865, by Levi Gaston, and that 113 applications had been made and policies issued to the amount of \$168,670, over one-half of those being issued to residents of Palmyra township. Internal revenue stamps were required on all

President



AUSTIN POWERS
President of Palmyra Mutual Fire Insurance Company which is now in its seventy-sixth successful year.

policies at this time. The company had no losses during the first four years, and only two losses during the first seven years, amounting in all to \$1,400, and closing that period with over \$700,000 of insurance in force. Only five assessments were spread from 1865 to 1883. At the meeting of June 2, 1868, Secretary Thummel called attention in his annual report to the good fortune of the company, as follows: "Though the company has now been in active operation for a little more than three years, in the good providence of our Heavenly Father no losses by fire have occurred thus far, and it therefore has still to be tried, whether members, one and all, of the company, will cheerfully and promptly meet an assessment on their insurance whenever it shall become necessary to make such assessment for the purpose of making good a loss by fire. It is confidently presumed that the members will most readily pay up any such assessment whenever made."

The first loss sustained by the company was on the residence of D. A. Holly, of Palmyra, on October 31st, 1869, and was settled by the payment of \$800.00 on building and \$200.00 on contents. The records show that this loss was met by an assessment which netted \$735.00, and by the sale of United States bonds to the amount of \$400.00 par, at a premium of ten per cent, or \$440.00, and this transaction is fully set up as a somewhat major bit of financing. While on the subject of company finance it is noted that loans were made by members to the company, at the going rate of ten per cent for those early days, to cover small losses and avoid spreading an assessment—these loans being repaid later from the general income of the company. Also—in the earlier days of the company it was the custom to loan reserve funds of the company to approved, responsible signers, but evidently the company encountered some delay, on account of paper not due, or payment delayed, when funds were required, and on June 4th, 1872, they adopted the following resolution—"Resolved, that the funds of the company be in future, and as soon as the outstanding notes of hand are paid in, be used in procuring good, safe bonds, that may be converted into cash, without delay, whenever needed." At this meeting the secretary reported "heavy, varied expenses, particularly a desk, at \$37.50." Also, at this meeting, it was brought to the attention of the members that under "An Act to incorporate and govern mutual fire insurance companies in townships," enacted by the Illinois legislature on April, 1872, the

company would be required to file an annual report, and pay yearly fees, to the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Illinois, and receive his certificate to continue in business for the ensuing year. This was the subject of a stormy, one-sided conference, and it was the sense of the meeting that the company, being chartered by the state, should be exempt from this ruling. A committee was appointed to confer with Hon. J. K. Edsall of Dixon, then secretary of state, in regard to the company rights. The records are silent in regard to this matter until the annual meeting of June 2nd, 1874, when the officers reported that "they had so far complied with the law as to make out and forward to the state auditor the annual report of the company, together with a fee of \$5.00, and \$1.00 for the auditor's certificate as authority to continue business for one year." The management was still of opinion, however, that the requirement should not apply to a state chartered institution, and "feared that a further silent acquiescence with said law may be and by prove injurious and vexatious to our company." The argument with the state of Illinois was carried on for about two years, when the management fell into line with the state. History records that all state chartered companies, with but few exceptions, resisted what they considered an invasion of their charter rights.

Collections Difficult

A record appears in the minutes of the meeting of 1874, to the effect that the secretary experienced some difficulties in collecting assessments, on account of the long drives necessary for either the officers or the policyholders, and the secretary announced that arrangements had been made with the Dixon National Bank, of Dixon, and the S. H. Patterson & Company Bank (now the National Bank of Sterling), at Sterling, to receive payments for assessments, without remuneration, from members who found it more convenient to pay at these places. The Smith Trust and Savings Bank, of Morrison, has since been added to the list, and this arrangement is still in force.

Following down the records we find that the company settled down to a regular routine—investigating losses, spreading assessments when required, and always keeping on the right side of the ledger. In the annual report of the secretary, on June, 1877, he reports as follows: "That, although losses by fire have occurred, and are still occurring, thus far its course in general has been eminently prosperous since its organization in 1865, and it is confidently believed, satisfactory to its members. During the twelve years of its existence the company has saved thousands of dollars to those insured with it. The company has promptly paid all losses by fire, amounting to \$7,190.25, by laying three assessments on all the property insured, which assessments amount to only ninety cents on the \$100.00 worth of property

insured, said property being assessed fifteen cents in 1869, sixty-five cents in 1872, and ten cents in 1876. This plainly demonstrates the cheapness and reliability of our company, and I think we can appeal with perfect confidence to a discerning and impartial public for its approbation and patronage. And while we all, managers and members of this insurance company, stand ready to pledge ourselves that its business shall be carried on in the future as honorably and economically as in the past, we may well say—our company is the farmers' friend—and may it live forever!"

Informal Reports

The following, taken from a report of a committee investigating a fire loss, is here inserted to show the informal nature of some of the committee reports of those early days—"We are satisfied from the inquiries we made, and from the testimony taken, that the house was set on fire on the 11th instant, by a Canadian tramp, whose only motive seems to have been to get a home in the penitentiary." The records were searched to find out if the tramp was located and duly punished, but found no further reference to the incident.

At the annual meeting of 1885, the company apparently felt the effects of competition, as the secretary reports at this meeting as follows: "notwithstanding the tremendous efforts put forth by the stock companies to drive us to the wall, I have the pleasure of reporting to you that we still live and remain solvent, and in prosperous condition. Yet I am satisfied that very many who would become members and patrons of our company are gathered with their money into the garms of other companies by the persistent boring of their agents—hence I would suggest the propriety of all of our managers and members interesting themselves to counteract the influences which are so hard at work against us." This report appears to be an early ancestor of the well-known "pep" sales talk of the present day. However, at this same meeting, another remedy for the situation was put forth, and it was voted that the Secretary "prepare a condensed statement for publication in the newspapers published within the bounds of the territory in which the company operated, for the information of the farming public, and especially for the members of our company, showing its progress from the beginning of its operations to the present time, and its present status; and also in circular form for distribution."

The steady growth of the company is indicated by the following figures, taken from the records of the secretary. Insurance in force is here recorded at intervals during the existence of the company, as follows: by years:

1865, \$100,000; 1870, \$582,745; 1875, \$871,291; 1880, \$1,210,134; 1890, \$2,783,615; 1915, \$3,884,959, while the amount of insurance in force at the present time is over ten millions. The company writes fire insurance on farm property,

country schoolhouses, city residential property and private garages, and lightning, wind and hail insurance is written through another mutual company.

Executive officers who have served the company are here recorded, together with their respective terms of office—

Presidents:
John H. Page, 1865; Abijah Powers, 1866 to 1891; John L. Lord, 1891 to 1901; Francis W. Coe, 1901 to 1906; Austin Powers, 1906 to the present time.

Secretary-treasurer:
O. H. Martin, 1865; C. B. Thummel, 1865 to 1880; Ellwood Hughes, 1880 to 1893; Fletcher Seavey, 1893 to 1911; E. C. Williams, 1911 to 1927; Ellis H. Williams, 1927 to the present time.

All of these names represent some of the most substantial citizens of this locality, each in his own time, and all gave outstanding service to the company. During the presidency of Francis W. Coe, he, together with Manager George W. Smith, revalued all of the risks held—a service of much benefit to the company and to the policyholders. As stated earlier in this article, the writer would like to include a short biographical sketch of many of these officers and managers, but this must be omitted for lack of space.

An effort has been made to list all of the managers of the company, and the following is believed to be fairly accurate—Abijah Powers, John H. Page, O. H. Martin, C. B. Thummel, E. B. Chase, Levi Gaston, F. W. Coe, A. D. Moon, Charles Lawton, A. D. Whitcomb, W. B. Beetha, Richard Peck, Walter Rogers, John McKinstry, Osborn Williams, Herman Sox, John Wolfersperger, John T. Lawrence, J. G. Flick, P. H. Schoch, J. M. Whipple.

Ellwood Hughes, Martin Baer, Eben H. Johnson, John B. Hughes, John L. Lord, Henry Uhl, James Dinsmoor, Fletcher Seavey, R. C. Williams, Warren Smith, W. A. Sanborn, Austin Powers, Ellis H. Williams, E. C. Williams, Clark W. Rickard, George W. Smith, Anson E. Thummel, Robert McNeil, George P. Ross, Roy E. Swartz, H. Sturtz, C. A. Wetherbee, W. B. Merriman, Geo. R. Anderson, Howard Johnson, Simon Whistler, Chas. H. Lawton, N. A. Cortright, Wm. Hyer, Henry Hintz, Mark D. Williams, John D. Dirks, Frank A. Beede, John H. Johnson, Leon Garrison, Roy Scholl, H. A. Landherr, John J. Rutt, Harry Wade, W. E. Hartshorn, A. A. Beede, G. H. Thummel, Francis M. Coe, L. N. Sox, Wm. LieVan, Wm. McNeil, E. H. Rickard and Arthur Emmitt.

In the earlier days of the company the books were audited by responsible individuals employed by the company, among the names of which we find the names of John M. Sterling, Wm. W. Wooley,

D. B. Raymond, H. C. Warner and Robert L. Warner. In the later years certified public accountants have been employed.

The officers and managers serving the company at this time are Austin Powers, president; Mark D. Williams, vice-president; Ellis H. Williams, secretary-treasurer—all of whom are members of the board of managers, together with Wm. Heyer, Henry Hintz, John Dirks, Frank A. Beede, John H. Johnson, Leon Garrison, Roy Scholl, H. A. Landherr, Clark W. Rickard and Harry Wade.

The names of the earlier policyholders, in the order in which the policies were issued, are here listed, as follows: Levi Gaston, Samuel Rubb, John J. Miller, Herman Sox, A. D. Whitcomb, Lawrence Holcomb, W. V. Beetha, Abraham Lawrence, John Wolfersperger, Jonas Burger, E. B. Chase, Benjamin Reed, Osborn Williams, Solomon Fender, Jacob Eshleman, John L. Lord, John H. Page, Walter L. Rogers, E. H. Johnson, James Fletcher, Elijah Dech, Frederick W. Coe, Chas. Lawton, John C. Oliver, Benj. L. Bunnell, Fred Dusing, Henry H. Shavey, John Adam Jacob, Henry Uhl, Mrs. Hannah Eckles, John McKinstry, John Mooers, Wm. Butler, Martin Baer, John W. Rubb, Eli Lloyd, Abner D. Moon, C. W. Kintner, Louis A. Brauer, Henry Kauffman, Henry S. Warner, Jas. N. Holly, Jno. L. Lawrence, Wm. Miller, Becker Miller, Abijah Powers, Matthias Schick, C. B. Thummel, Henry McWethey, Wm. Russell, Samuel C. Sheldon, Mrs. Mary Mecker, Susanna Kintner, Samuel Albertson, Henry Landis, Thos. W. Stevens, Mark Penrose, Elvira E. Allen, Richard Peck, Wm. Hair, John E. Stauffer, James M. Whipple. These names, with many others, were "charter members" of the company, who thus early showed their faith in the management, and in their fellow policyholders, in an insurance plan that was more or less novel in those days.

In closing this story, the compiler acknowledges the able assistance given by Ellis H. Williams, secretary-treasurer, in furnishing information, books and records relative to the activities of the company. Many other individuals, some of them descendants of those early organizers and managers, have also furnished data used in this article. An effort has been made to give due credit to those responsible for the organization and management of the company during its long and useful life, but omissions must necessarily occur in recording the history of any institution of the venerable age of seventy-five years, from records covering three generations.

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Stiles & Shaheen Public Relations Firm Announced

A. K. Stiles, who recently retired as Illinois Republican state chairman, and John M. Shaheen of Tampico, who has just resigned as director of publicity for the Republican state committee, today announced they have formed a public relations firm, with offices at 221 North LaSalle street, Chicago.

They will devote themselves to a general public relation practice, handling political, governmental, commercial, industrial, legal, radio and motion picture work. Stiles is still on the state committee, representing the 12th congressional district, and is giving some time to aiding the new state chairman, Ben L. Berve, set up the party organization for the coming campaign.

During the World War Stiles served in the publicity department of the 9th, 10th and 11th U. S. naval districts. For the last 11 years he has held the rank of major in the U. S. army reserve and assigned to public relations work. Besides having been state chairman, he was mayor of Sycamore, his home, and state commander of the "40 and 8" of the American Legion. His father, the late William A. Stiles, was the first advertising manager of the International Harvester Co., and founded one of the earliest advertising agencies in Chicago.

Shaheen first joined the Republican state committee in 1934. Besides newspaper work, starting in Whiteside county, he has been director of publicity for Chicago's Congress hotel, advertising manager of a hotel trade magazine, and earned his professional reputation as a publicist and writer in radio and variety work.

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